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## Ne ws Tracker ... What's new with old news

#### World

Pakistan sanctions: Pakistan's prime minister said Saturday the government is lifting economic sanctions in a tense region near Afghanistan to encourage help in tracking down foreign militants and those who shelter them

The sanctions, including the closure of shops and seizure of vehicles, were imposed in South Waziristan this year to punish tribesmen for failing to evict suspected foreign terrorists from their areas.

Under a Pakistani law based on centuries-old customs, an entire tribe can be held responsible for crimes committed by one of its members — and can be punished collectively.

Japanese abductions: Japanese and North Korean envoys began a new round of talks Saturday on a dispute over Japanese nationals abducted by the North's agents decades ago, and the chief Japanese delegate said he would press for new details on their fate.

The working-level meeting was the sec-

The working-level meeting was the second round of talks on the abductees. North Korea had promised earlier to investigate the fate of as many as 10 missing Japaness but Japanese officials said it failed to disclose any new information during a first round last month in the Chinese capital

"I am looking forward to seeing the report, which they said they have speeded up," the chief Japanese delegate, Akitaka Saiki, said as he went into the talks Saturday at a Beijing hotel.

Taliban fighting: U.S. troops and helicopter gunships killed five suspected Taliban rebels in Afghanistan on Friday, hours after militants attacked Afghan army troops in southern Afghanistan, a provincial governor said.

The Taliban fighters attacked a checkpoint of Afghanistan's fledging national army at midnight in the area of Thor Nasar in Deh Rawood district, 105 miles north of Kandahar, said Jan Mohammed Khan, governor of Uruzgan province.

Army forces fought back, and that the attackers fled after wounding four soldiers, he

"On our request, U.S. forces and helicopter gunships went to the area and killed five Taliban after tracing them," he said, adding that 20 Taliban fighters were involved in the violence and that five of them were killed.

Asian bird flu: Dead swallows discovered on an island in the disputed Spratly chain tested negative for bird flu Saturday, Malaysian authorities said, easing fears that the disease was spreading beyond a quarantined northern state.

Five Malaysian navy sailors placed under hospital observation after coming in contact with the birds on Layang-Layang island were making rapid recoveries, officials said. Only one remained ill, probably from pre-existing respiratory infection, they said.

A veterinary team was being sent to the island Sunday to take new samples from swallows because the tests may not be fully reliable since there was no accurate data on when the birds died, officials told the national news agency Bernama.

Russia military satellite: Russia on Friday successfully launched a military satellite from a northern launchpad, the Space Forces said.

A Soyuz-U booster rocket blasted off at 8:50 p.m. from the Plesetsk cosmodrome in northern Russia, putting the Kosmos-2410 satellite into a designated orbit, the Space Forces said in a statement carried by the In-

terfax and ITAR-Tass news agencies.

The statement said that the satellite belongs to a new generation of space vehicles that would form the core of Russian satellite fleet through 2015.

Israel whistleblower: Mordechai Vanunu, who was imprisoned for 18 years for spilling



Flooding from Ivan: Rbo Gilliand wades through knee-high water after removing materials from his flooded business in Marietta, Ohio. Ohio communities that were damaged by last week's flooding from remnants of Hurricane Ivan are running dangerously low on food and other supplies, aid owners said Friday. Workers recently had to tell more than 100 people waiting in line at a food bank in southeastern Ohio that provisions had run out for the day, said Lisa Hamler-Podolski, director of the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks.

Israel's nuclear secrets, said Friday that he believed his action had changed the world. In an interview broadcast by the World Service of the British Broadcasting Corp., Vanunu said he had relied on radio, newspapers and magazines to follow world news during his imprisonment.

The interviewer asked what he had made of major events such as the fall of the Berlin

"My conclusion was that my revelation about that very serious nuclear weapons in Israel, a very large stockpile that no one imagined, made all the world very alert," he said by telephone from Jerusalem.

Vanunu was convicted of treason in 1988 for divulging information and pictures of Israel's top-secret nuclear reactor.

### States

International space station: International space station crewmembers may have to abandon the outpost later this year if astronauts can't fix oxygen supply problems, a NASA official said.

Bill Gerstenmaier, the station's program manager, said NASA was "a long way" from making the move and that the possibility reflects concerns over several failed attempts to determine what's wrong with a Russian-made oxygen generator.

If the crew were to leave, the space station could be empty for months. Scientists in Moscow and Houston would control the station until crews return.

**Bush Guard records:** The Pentagon released 10 pages of records from President GBush's Vietnam-era service in the Texas Air National Guard, but the files shed no new light on his military career.

The records include several that have been released before and others that are administrative files or cover letters to other documents that have been previously released.

The Defense Department released the records Friday in response to a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit by The Associated Press.

Friday was the court-ordered deadline for the Pentagon to turn over all records it could find on Bush's Texas Air National Guard service.

**DeLay ethics:** Ethics committee Chairman Joel Hefley of Colorado and ranking Democrat Alan Mollohan of West Virginia rebuffed complaints that the panel cannot fairly judge House Majority Leader Tom

DeLay of Texas because four of the five Republicans on the committee received contributions from him.

"Both of us are confident in the ability of each of our fellow members, without exception, to execute their responsibilities faithfully and fairly, regardless of any political affiliations or personal relations or personal relations."

tionships," the two said in a statement. Hefley also has rejected calls for an independent counsel to investigate DeLay, a fellow Republican.

### Military

Hunley conservation: Scientists using DNA have positively identified one of the crewmen of the Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley, the first submarine in history

to sink an enemy warship.

Officials announced Friday that they have positively confirmed the identity of crewman Joseph Ridgaway using DNA from a descendent.

The hand-cranked Hunley made history on Feb. 17, 1864, when it rammed a spar with a black powder charge into the Union blockade ship Housatonic.

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But the sub never returned from the mission. It was found off the South Carolina coast nine years ago, raised in 2000 then brought to a conservation lab at the old

Charleston Naval Base in South Carolina.

Stories and photos from wire reports





Above: A man rescued from the rubble of destroyed houses is rushed to hospital Saturday in Fallujah, Iraq. U.S. warplanes, tanks and artillery units bombed a suspected meeting of insurgents, killing at least eight people and wounding 15, hospital officials said. Right: Local residents try to rescue survivors from the rubble of a razed building after the U.S. strikes Saturday.

## **U.S.** strikes at insurgents in Fallujah

## Four Marines, one soldier killed in separate incidents around Iraq

BY KIM HOUSEGO The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - U.S. warplanes, tanks and artillery units struck the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah on Saturday, killing at least eight people and wounding 15 in a day that saw new violence across the country.

In Baghdad, gunmen opened fire on a vehicle carrying Iraqi National Guard applicants, killing six people, police said. The slavings were part of a militant campaign targeting Iraqi security forces and recruits in a bid to thwart IIS backed efforts to build an Iraqi force capable of taking over security from American

Police Lt. Omar Ahmed said the group had just left a national guard recruiting center where they had signed up to join the force in the west Baghdad neighborhood of Al-Jamiyah when the attack occurred

The Iraqi National Guard also clashed with unidentified gunmen in Haswa, south of the capital, injuring four people, hospital officials said. The fighting lasted about half an hour, witnesses

Meanwhile, five mortar shells struck the Iraqi Oil Ministry in Raphdad causing minor damage to the building and shattering windows, said ministry spokesman Assem Jihad. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

The U.S. military said the Falluiah strikes targeted a meeting point in the center of the city, west of Baghdad, for fighters loval to Jordanian terror mastermind Abu Musab al-Zargawi.

"Intelligence sources reported that Zarqawi terrorists were using the site to plan additional attacks against Iraqi citizens and multinational forces." the military said in a statement

Ámerican forces also bombed rebel-built fortifications overnight, including concrete and earthen barriers and roadblocks. used to restrict movement in the city and mount attacks on Marine positions outside Fallujah, the military said in a separate statement Saturday

Dr. Dhiya al-Jumaili of Fallujah General Hospital said at least eight people were killed and 15 wounded, including women and children

lit up the night sky for hours and at least two buildings Zaraawi terrorists in the city cen were using the site were wrecked, witnesses said. The Fallujah mosque switched on its loudspeakers clerics and chanted pravers

Explosions

rally the city's residents. American

troops have not entered Fallujah since ending a three-week siege of the city in April that left hundreds dead.

The U.S. military announced the deaths of four Marines in three separate incidents Friday. A military statement said the Marines were conducting a security operation in Anbar province, which includes Fallujah, Ramadi, and other places that are the scene of clashes between U.S. and insurgent forces. No further details were disclosed.

A U.S. soldier was killed when a homemade bomb exploded Saturday, the military said in a statement. The blast occurred at 6:45 a.m. and also slightly damaged a vehicle. No further details were provided.

Underscoring just how dependent the Iraqi government still is on outside help, interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi urged the international community to set aside its differences over the legality of the invasion to oust Saddam Hussein and "stand fast by

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sembly in Iraqi citizens New York on Friday. and multinational Saturday's strikes were the latest in a U.S. military statement string of attacks against

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al-Zargawi's network, which has claimed responsibility for numerous car bombings, kidnappings and other assaults meant to destabilize Irag's U.S.-backed interim authorities and drive coalition forces from the country.

On Friday, the Muslim Council of Britain sent a pair of negotiators to meet with religious leaders in Baghdad to try to win the release of British hostage Kenneth Bigley. The group described Daud Abdullah and Musharraf Hussain as "well-respected figures in the British Muslim com-

A posting on an Islamic Inter-

net site Saturday claimed that al-Zargagi's followers have killed Bigley, but the Foreign Office in London said the claim did not apnear credible.

The site also claimed that seven British troops had been captured. But Capt. Donald Francis, a spokesman for the British military, said that all forces "are accounted for." He had no information on the claim to have executed the British hostage.

Al-Zarqawi's Tawhid and Jihad had threatened to kill Bigley un-less Iraqi women are freed from

The statement, which appeared on the site typed in red, consisted of a single line.

Tawhid and Jihad announces that it has executed the British citizen and gives you the good news of kidnapping seven British sol-diers," the statement said, "We will be releasing the tape short-

The little-known site tends to pick up claims from other sites and was among the many to carry video footage of the beheadings of two American civil engineer Eugene Armstrong and Jack Henslev - who were taken hostage last week with Bigley. It also carried the tape of the 62-year-old Briton begging authorities to meet his kidnappers' demands and save his life, as well as two shaky claims that two Italian hostages were killed.

The British Foreign Office said it was aware of the claim that Rig. lev had been killed, but described it as a "discredited" site.

"We don't think it's anything to be taken too seriously," the For-eign Office statement said.

'It's just a posting," a Foreign Office spokeswoman said on customary condition of anonymity. "We can't see there's anything credible in this at all.

## U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Friday, 1,042 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 792 died as a result of hostile action and 250 died of nonhostile causes. The figures include three military civil-

The British military has reported 65 deaths; Italy, 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Bulgaria, six: Ukraine, eight: Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; the Neth erlands, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary and Latvia have reported one death each

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 904 U.S. military members have died 683 as a result of hostile action and 221 of nonhostile causes, according to the military.

The latest deaths reported by U.S. Central Command:

The latest identification reported by the Department of

Army Sgt. Skipper Soram, 23, Kolonia, Micronesia; killed Wednesday by a car bomb in Baghdad, Iraq; assigned to 3rd Battalion, 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas

## **Should OpFor soldiers be sent to war?**

Some think they should stick to training, but opposing-force troops are happy to deploy

Stars and Stripes

BAGHDAD - Whether it's in the California deserts of Fort Irwin or in the woods at the Com-bat Maneuver Training Center in Hohenfels, Germany, almost no one who goes through a rotation at one of the U.S. military's training centers ever wins against the opposing force, or "OpFor." The "OpFor" are experts at the

terrain - also known in Armys peak as "The Box," where they work every daily. These soldiers dress, speak, and act like insurgents, probing units for weaknesses by setting up ambushes, mock-poisoning water supplies, or just stalking a particular group and capturing it in the middle of the night, when exhaustion sets

So when word came down that some OpFor units had been tapped for Operation Iraqi Freedom II, the military community instantly began a buzzing debate

One one hand, why wouldn't the Army send soldiers who spend all their time thinking and acting like insurgents against the real thing?

On the other hand, units tapped for Iraq or Afghanistan often go through an OpFor rotation. So who would train these deploying soldiers if the OpFor troops weren't available

Presidential Democratic candidate Sen. John Kerry is one of the critics of deploying the OpFor, saying the troops need their expertise

"People have been sent over there without the training necessary, with too little training," Kerry told Stripes. "We even have our top trainers who have been deployed to go over there rather than be where they can train people."

Among the OpFor units current-

ly in Irag:

Company A and Company B. 1st Battalion, 509th Airborne Infantry Regiment from the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk La

Company C, 4th Battalion, 31st Infantry Regiment, from Fort Drum, N.Y Combat Engineer 58th Company from Irwin

■ Another opposing forces unit — Com 1st Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment from Hohenfels, Germany ployed last week to Afghanistan

Although the OpFor units attached to the 10th Mountain Division in Baghdad have only been doing combat operations in Iraq since mid-July, their commander says the soldiers are doing yeoman service.

"These guys are great," said Col. Mark Milley, the 10th Mountain's 2nd Brigade Combat Team commander in Iraq

"They are extra well-trained, and well-disciplined," Milley said. "They are fighting a battle



PHOTOS BY LISA BURGESS/Stars and Strings

Above: Sgt. First Class Brian Hester, from Mount Sterling, N.Y., Company B, 1st Battalion, 509th Airborne Infantry Regiment's platoon sergeant, also known as "Ammo Can" by his men, tightens a strap on an armored Humvee before Wednesday night's standard 12-hou mission. Right: A member of Company B, also known as the

"Geronimoes" from the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, La., prepares for the night partol around Baghdad International Airport.

using tactics techniques and procedures, and they are very, very good at just this type of fighting we are doing over here.'

The desert deployment was welcomed by the OpFor soldiers, according to Sgt. First Class Brian Hester, from Mount Sterling, N.Y, platoon sergeant for Compa nv B. 1st Battalion, 509th Airborne Infantry Regiment.

**44** Our platoon is one of the tightest groups of guys I have ever been around. We know we have a job to do. but we keep it fun. 77

Staff Sgt. John Wilbanks

OpFor soldier

"We were extremely frustrated" not to be fighting a "real" enemy, said Hester

"People were literally fighting over spots" in the two companies that were tapped for deployment," Hester said during 12-hour Wednesday night patrol of his company's turf near Baghdad International Airport

"Almost everyone volunteered to go," Hester said. "For every man over here. I guarantee there

are two or three at Fort Polk chomping at the bit to take their

One soldier who got a coveted deployment spot was Pfc. Brett Erickson, 18 "I begged to be here," Erick-

son, who is with 2nd platoon. "All my buddies were coming, and I wanted to be with them But Erickson, of Hilo, Hawaii.

had only benn with the unit for one month before he was called to Iraq "And they wanted to take experienced people," he

Finally, Erickson's pla toon sergeant changed his mind

"I think I asked so much, he just got kind of annoyed," Erickson said Like Erickson, Pfc. Carey Seaborn, 22, from Mount Juliet, Tenn., is a newbie.

Seaborn, who is with the 58th Combat Engineer Company, has been in the Army for just 19 months. But Seaborn said he when he found out he would be deployed to Iraq at the end of April, it was welcome news.

"I felt it was time to do our part," he said.

Now that they are settling into Irag, "Our platoon is one of the



tightest groups of guys I have ever been around," said Staff Sgt. John Wilbanks of Picayune, Miss., with the 2nd platoon. "We know we have a job to do, but we keep it fun.'

Yet although the OpFor units are close-knit, "they fit in well" with the other soldiers of the 10th Mountain, Milley said.

"I think they [are] a real value-add to the brigade." Milley said

"We're very proud of them."

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## Allawi appeals to U.N. for help with Iraq

BY KIM GAMEL The Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS - Iraq's interim prime minister appealed for a major infusion of foreign troops and international aid to help his country hold elections by January, saying a failure to achieve democracy would be a victory for terrorism

Standing before the leaders of many nations that opposed the U.S.-led war in Iraq, Ayad Allawi on Friday urged the international community to set aside its differences over the legality of the invasion to oust Saddam Hussein and

"stand fast by Iraq."
"We need to broaden the base of troop-contributing countries to (the multinational force) so that we would stand more determined and be better equipped to con-front terrorism," he said in his first appearance before the U.N. General Assembly.

After his speech, Allawi also reiterated his insistence that the elections will be held on schedule and that "all eligible Iraqis will be able to vote" - assertions that came amid concern some areas in Iraq may be inaccessible to voters due to the insurgency.

"Do not be neutral in this struggle. Do not remain idle, but join us for our sake and for your own sake," Allawi told world leaders from the rostrum where U.S. President George W. Bush on Monday had defended his decision to go to

Allawi's speech was warmly received by the U.S. ambassador to

"This was an excellent opportunity for the prime minister to lay out his agenda before the interna tional community and make an appeal for their support," Ambassa dor John Negroponte said at the United Nations. "I'm confident elections can and will take place before the end of January. Allawi, speaking to reporters

after meeting with U.N Secretary-General Kofi Annan said there would be "no partial elections" and "every eligible

Iraqi will be able to vote. Allawi and Annan also discussed the need to provide security for U.N. workers who return to Iraq to help with the election.

Allawi said international assistance was needed immediately and warned that Irag's foreign debt was the country's "most serious obstacle on road to develop ment and stability.

He encouraged creditor nations to take more steps in forgiv-ing some of the "unjust burden" that he noted was mostly incurred by the former regime. Iraq has an estimated \$120 billion in foreign debt.



Iraq Prime Minister Ayad Allawi, left, shakes hands with United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan after addressing the United Nations General Assembly in New York on Friday.

## 372nd Military Police welcomed home



Capt. Donald J. Reese, unit commander of the 372nd Military Police company, based in Cresaptown, Md., speaks to a crowd of about 400 friends and family Friday,in Cumberland, Md.. to welcome home the unit. In background is First Sgt. Brian Lipinski. Last October, the unit was transferred to Abu Ghraib prison, put in charge of minding some of the thousands of prisoners who filled the cells. In April, photos emerged showing members of the unit allegedly subjecting prisoners to humiliation and abuse.

## England to face a court-martial

BY ESTES THOMPSON The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. - Army Pfc. Lynndie England, who has come to symbolize the Iraqi prisoner abuse scandal, will face a court-martial. one of her lawyers said.

The Army will announce the court-martial on Monday and may schedule the military trial to begin in January, defense attorney Rhidi-an Orr said Friday. An Army spokesman at Fort

Bragg, where England has been as-signed while her case is pending, confirmed that a decision regardcommend that a decision regard-ing the case is scheduled to be re-leased Monday. The decision rests with Lt. Gen. John Vines, com-mander of the 18th Airborne Corps

at the post.

England, 21, is one of seven members of the 372nd Military Police Company of Cresaptown, Md., charged with the abuse that occurred last year at Abu Ghraib prison in Baghdad. Photographs were transmitted around the world showing the reservist holding a naked prisoner by a leash, smiling and pointing at a hooded detainee's genitals and posing behind a pyramid of nude Iraqis.

Although the court-martial was not a surprise, "Lynndie's case is a heck of a lot stronger than it used to be," he said.

Orr did not say what charges his client will face, but hearing officer Col. Denise Arn has recommended that England be court-martialed on 17 counts of abuse and indecent

Military prosecutors portray the abuse as the work of a renegade band of reservists.

Arn suggested England was largely led astray by some of the other reservists charged in the

England's attorneys argued in the hearing that she posed for the

pictures on orders from high-er-ups to "soften up" Iraqi prisoners. Her lawyers sought unsuccessfully to call such high-level witnesses as Vice President Dick Cheney and Defense Secretary Donald

## General: Afghan violence rising

By STEPHEN GRAHAM The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan - U.S.-led forces trying to protect landmark Afghan elections face a rising wave of violence from about 2,000 insurgents, in cluding al-Oaida militants slipping in from Pakistan, an American general said Saturday.

In the latest bloodshed, Afghan police said sus-

pected Taliban gunmen killed nine militia soldiers in two attacks on checkpoints in a troubled southern province.

Two weeks before the presidential ballot, Lt Gen. David Barno said violence would "more than likely" increase, and urged NATO forces and the United Nations to steel themselves. "We must stand firm and not allow a tiny minori-

ty of terrorists to negate the hard work, commit-ment and courage of millions of Afghans" who have registered to vote, said Barno, the top U.S. commander in the country.

Taliban rebels threatening to disrupt the Oct. 9

election appear have already stepped up their cam-

Militants killed three American soldiers last week, and U.S.-backed interim leader Hamid Karzai escaped a rocket attack on his helicopter earlier this month

Kabul is also on edge after an apparent suicide car-bombing last month killed about 10 people, in-cluding three Americans, at the office of the U.S.

cluding three Americans, at the office of the U.S. company helping train new Afghan police.

Almost three years after the fall of the Taliban, the general acknowledged his 18,000-strong force still faced a "significant counterinsurgency."

He said there were foreign fighters among the rebels operating in southeastern Afghanistan, indi-cating that al-Qaida had a "shared objective" of attacking the democratic transition.

He didn't elaborate.

Barno told a news conference the Pakistani army vas reinforcing a section of the border farther to the south to thwart Taliban rebels trying to enter He said the new Pakistani troops had been shift-

ed from Kashmir, the Himalayan territory disputed by Pakistan and India, to the area across from the Afghan provinces of Zabul and Kandahar. Asked to quantify the size of the insurgency,

Barno said the armed rebels numbered "perhaps a couple of thousand" while insisting they were a

The U.N.-Afghan election commission says 10.5 million Afghans have registered for the vote, which million Arganas nave registered for the vote, which Karzai is widely expected to win.

American and Afghan officials say that figure is the best evidence of popular support for the still-fragile peace process begun after the Taliban's

ouster in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks in the United States.

As Barno spoke, construction workers were forti-fying the entrance to the main U.N. compound ss from his already heavily guarded Kabul headquarters.

Earlier Saturday, NATO said newly arrived Spanish and Italian troops have swelled its force focused on the capital and northern Afghanistan to about 9,000 troops, and that extra British and Dutch war-planes were also deploying.

#### Bin Laden's alleged accountant boycotts review SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico - Osama bin Laden's alleged accoun-

tant boycotted a review hearing to evaluate his legal status, and his attorney was barred from attending the proceedings at the U.S. military prison in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Ibrahim Ahmed Mahmoud al Qosi, 44, is one of four prisoners charged with war crimes at the U.S. naval base on Cuba's eastern tip. The United States says al Qosi, of Sudan, worked as al-Qaida's chief accountant, paymaster and supply chief.

### Hepatitis E outbreak infects at least 60

BAGHDAD - An outbreak of hepatitis E has infected at least 60 people south of the capital, the Iraqi Health Ministry said Friday. Ni'ama Saeed, head of the ministry's general health department, blamed contaminated water and the absence of a regular sewage sys-

tem for the outbreak around Mahmoudiyah, 25 miles south of Baghdad. Officials were distributing water sanitation pills to residents, Saeed said. No deaths have been reported in Mahmoudiyah, Saeed said. Five people, including two pregnant women, died of hepatitis E two months ago in the Baghdad slum of Sadr City, he said. From The Associated Press

## Gruesome beheadings a loud message to world

## Militants in Iraq use Web sites in attempt to spread fear, gain loyalty

BY TED ANTHONY
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Insurgents in Iraq have commandeeved a modern medium by bringing decapitation videos to the Internet, making an ancient punishment a 24-hour news cycle's shocking message of defiance — one that effectively both sows terror and shows off to the young Islamic men the militants are trains to recruit.

"What they do is behead Americans so they can get on the TV screens," President Bush said Thursday. "And they're trying to shake our will and they're trying to shake the Iraqis' will."

That much is certain. But behind the mix of brutality, adeptly produced video and a free global distribution system, the militants are tapping into a network of fears many centuries old—and blending the ancient with the modern to create a freshly powerful method of communication.

Since journalist Daniel Pearl was beheaded on video in Pakistan in 2002, the taped decapitation of kidnapped Westerners has become a staple of post-Sept. 11 shock value.

The past week in Iraq has been particularly striking. Two Americans and a Briton were abducted from their Baghdad home last week, and the Americans were beheaded and their slayings shown on graphic videos posted on the Internet. The Briton was shown in a video Wednesday pleading for his life.

And in a departure from ancient practice when executioners usually were hired hands—at least one of this week's beheadings was carried out personally by a hooded Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the al-Qaida-linked militant who has spearheaded the insurgency in Iraq.

Commentary from American news outlets has focused on the primitiveness of the execution method ("Butchers," said the New York Post; "Savages," said the New York Daily News). But the videos themselves — complete with full-motion graphics and scene fades — exude sophistication.

Some describe the beheading imasery as

careful symbolism that's designed to appear primitive — and thus enhance the militants' credibility by placing them closer to Islam's roots when, one scholar says, "the sole way of fighting was the sword."

### Beheading video stats

There are many reasons to be profoundly disturbed about the beheading videos streaming out of Iraq — yet people around the world are eager to

Dan Klinker operates a Web site carrying Monday's video of a hooded man cutting off the head of U.S. contract worker Eugene "Jack" Armstrong. More than I million users had clicked those images into their personal computers, he said.

Six Internet servers, according to Klinker, are "barely able to handle the traffic" of 50,000 visitors an hour who are angling for a peek at the grisly death of Armstrong.

More than half of those clicking on the video are residents of the United States

From wire service

"In reality, they don't fight the Americans with knives. They fight them with explosions and guns," said Diaa Rashwan, an expert on Islamic militants at the Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies in Cairo.

"But in the face of the camera, they play this traditional Islam — or what they consider the original Islam," he said. "They want to confirm they are in the same war that the prophet and the first Muslims were fight-

Ing."
That notion plays not only to the West but to young Muslims who could be recruited for the militants' cause — if they see evidence that the insurgency is strong and

Decapitation, official and otherwise, has a lengthy and continuing history in the Islamic world. But in most of the West today, the act conjures medieval chaos and disfiguring brutality that transcends the act of murder.

The Romans cut off heads, and John the Baptist's delivered on a silver platter stands as one of the New Testament's more lurid tales. Medieval England made it a semi-regular practice, from Henry UITIS executions of wives Anne Boleyn and Catherine Howard to the beheadings of Charles I and Mary Queen of Scots.



Men at a Baghdad barbershop watch the broadcast of British hostage Kenneth Bigley pleading with Prime Minister Tony Blair to help save his life. Militants have blended ancient fears with modern technology to create a powerful method of communication.

And France, during its revolution, elevated the guillotine to an execution machine designed to be more humane and efficient than previous methods — and abolished it only a generation ago.

Today's videos from Iraq, which include disoriented hostages forced to hole up with their captors for days while blindfolded to ponder their imminent doom, push the ter-

ror quotient even higher.

When media-age Americans have encountered graphic death, it has a history of resonating in the culture.

One of journalism's most notorious photos remains that of Ruth Snyder, executed in New York's electric chair in 1928. A report-er with a camera strapped to his leg snapped the shot, and the image of her death—on the cover of the New York Daily News the next morning—caused months of sensation and recriminations.

And in 1968, Associated Press photographer Eddie Adams' picture of the South Vietnamese police chief shooting a Viet Cong captive in the head became one of the war's most memorable images. But the recent beheadings touch a place

But the recent beneadings touch a place deep inside that nothing else does. In Baghdad, a random sampling of residents Thursday produced people uniformly taken aback by the decapitations.

"These terrorists are killing their hostages in this drastic manner because they want to anger people and turn them against Islam," said Ali Hussein, a Baghdad calligra-

What's next? To cultural critic Neal Gabler, author of "Life: The Movie," the producers of the Iraq beheading videos are evolving into a bizarre permutation of "content providers" for an Internet audience.

"You're always upping the ante — whether it's movies, television or the Internet," Gaber said. "We're living in an endless game of 'Can you top this?" And human imagination is the only limitation to where this goes."

Associated Press writer Sinan Salaheddin in Baothers.

dad contributed to this report.



Command Sgt. Maj. Kurt Pinero, 45, below, undergoes corrective eye surgery at the hands of Maj. Adam Buchanan, center, and assistants Sonda Jones, left, and Jennifer Price in the Warrighter Refractive Eye Surgery Clinic at Blanchfield Army Hospital at Fort Campbell, Ky, ou July 26. Soldiers home from war are flocking to medical centers to get refractive eye surgery.

## GIs have eye on better vision

BY KIMBERLY HEFLING The Assoicated Press

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. — Command Sgt. Maj. Kurt Pinero looked up from the operating table after laser eye surgery and could already make out the pictures on the television screen across the room.

"It was amazing," said the 45-year-old Iraq war veteran. "It was the first time I could see that far since I was a child."

After months in the Iraqi desert fumbling with dusty contacts, smudged eyeglasses and prescription goggles, soldiers by the thousands are flocking to get refractive eye surgery. And the Army's picking up the tab.

"Our work load and number of patients has gone through the roof," said Maj. Glenn Sanford of the two-year-old Warfighter Refractive Eye Surgery Clinic at Fort Campbell's Blanchfield Army Hospital.

About 26,000 soldiers have undergone the surgery at Army clinics nationwide since it was first made available at Fort Bragg, N.C., four years ago.

More than 9,000 of the surgeries have been done at Fort Bragg, and an additional 8,000 soldiers at the post are on a waiting list to have the procedure between now and January, when many are due to be deployed.

The surgery is viewed by the military as a way to help soldiers see better on the battlefield, where split-second decisions can save lives. Soldiers without glasses also can more easily use instruments such as night-vision gog-

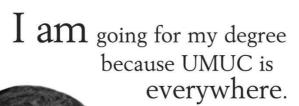
In combat, soldiers who lose their glasses are not only a danger to themselves, but also a liability to others who must look after

"When you take somebody's vision from them, it's devastating," said Lt. Col. Beverly Land, deputy commander of clinical services at Blanchfield.

Priority for the surgery is typically given to soldiers mostly likely to be in combat. It is offered at eight Army medical centers, and at least 10 other Navy and Air Force medical facilities.

Lt. Col. Mark Torres, an optometrist who has analyzed surveys of soldiers who have deployed with and without the surgery said they overwhelming say it was a major benefit.

"We look at this surgery as a performance-enhancing procedure that gives us a soldier that's better able to function and operate," said Torres, chief of refractive surgery at Madigan Army Medical Center at Fort Lewis,



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## **U.S.** troops defend legal prostitution

BY JESSICA INIGO Stare and Strings

RHEIN-MAIN AIR BASE, Germany - Troops stationed in Germany are seeing red over the Pen tagon's proposal to add an anti-prostitution charge to the Uniform Code of Military Justice. and it's not just the glow from the local red light district.

Military personnel and their families on Rhein Main Air Base. only minutes from one of the large est red light districts in the world, are angered by the Department of Defense announcement to change the UCMJ. Those interviewed largely agree that Germa-ny is not the place to enforce such

Unlike other overseas military installations across the world where sex trade and human trafficking runs rampant, in Germany, prostitution is legal. There are licensed brothels, called Eros Center, where working girls can rent their own rooms for the day There are no madames.

Germany women choose prosti-

## Many say proposed UCMJ change unfair in Germany, where profession is regulated

tution as a profession and are Pastor said. "It's a little bit pushy taxed as regular workers, according to Frankfurt Web sites

'Where are we talking about asked Pfc. Marty Conyers of the 464th Replacement Detachment on Rhein-Main when asked if troops should be punished by one-year confinement and a dishonorable discharge if convicted for paying for sex. Convers said the anti-prostitution law would be unfair to troops in Germany, because it is legal here.

Army Sgt. Adam Z. Pastor, who just arrived at the replacement detachment on Rhein-Main and is waiting to go to his next unit, agreed, saying the addition to the UCMJ would be "harsh."

"It would be different if it were some third-world country that had no jobs and no opportunity,

and women were forced into it.

to enforce that law here He added that if DOD officials

were making the addition for safety reasons, they should think again. "Right off the bat, if it's an issue of safety, there are condoms and stuff like that that soldiers can use

Snc. Tasha Smith added that the working women in Germany are regularly tested, so there should be nothing stopping troops from using Eros Centers if they

"It's a legal job, and if a girl wants to make money that way. she should be able to get her customers," Smith said Preventing troops from visiting

red light districts is going to be difficult, according to Airman 1st Class Gerard Garcia.

"Normally. I don't go to those

places, but I don't think [the addition of an anti-prostitution charge to the UCMJ is going to work, Garcia said.

"I think, psychologically, we have men who have been away from women and, of course, hormones have built up, especially in the single soldiers." Garcia said. "I don't know what's going to happen, but I know it's not going to work from a psychological point

Not only that, but Convers said troops should be able to spend their money how they choose.

"I've talked to soldiers who have gone to these places and it doesn't badly affect their military career or badly affect the prost tutes' career," Conyers said, adding, "Soldiers say this is [BS]

Sgt. 1st Class Henry Mims is of the same mind, adding that the proposed anti-prostitution article is a little too much control over troops' personal lives

"Next, they're going to tell us we can't drink or only on the weekends," Mims said. "I think it's stupid."

Dana Molnar, the wife of an active-duty servicemember, says the DOD is silly to fret over where troops are getting it on in Germany

"It seems like we can spend our time worrying about more impor-tant things," she said.

However, Airman Michelle Johnson, who is new to the military and just came into country brings up a point on the legality of American troops paying for sex.

"I think that if it's illegal in the United States, that it should be illegal for U.S. military members, she said. "We shouldn't be able to do things here, like smoke weed, just because it's legal [where we live or visit.]

"Military members are supnosed to do the same as people in the States.

## Child abuse deaths in N.C. are greater in military areas

By EMERY P DALESIO The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. - One soldier is in prison for beating to death his 5-year-old son. Another killed his wife's daughter just weeks before her second birthday.

The cases exemplify new statistics showing that children from military families located in two counties are twice as likely to be killed by their parents or other caregivers than other children statewide. Cumberland County is home to Fort Bragg and Pope Air

Force Base, while Onslow County has Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Base and New River Marine Corps air station Marcia Herman-Giddens, a researcher with the North Caro-

lina Child Advocacy Institute, looked at child abuse homicides in North Carolina between 1985-2000 In that period, Herman-Giddens found 378 child abuse

deaths statewide in that period, which computes to an annual rate of 2.2 deaths per 100,000 children. In Cumberland County, home to Fort Bragg and Pope Air

Force Base, the annual child abuse homicide rate was 4.4 per 100,000 children, and about 5 per 100,000 for military families in the county. The rate was 3.2 per 100,000 children for Onslow County, and nearly 5 per 100,000 for military fami-The counties had 58 child abuse homicides during the

vears studied. They had 7 percent of the state's children but 15 percent of

the child abuse homicides, she said. The study's findings were shared with officers at the state's

military bases over the past two years, but no one can fully explain the reasons behind them, Herman-Giddens said

"They had somewhat assumed that because of all of their programs, and they do have a lot, that their rate would be lower," Herman-Giddens said. "I know it was a surprise to

Herman-Giddens recommends launching a national study of all military installations to determine whether higher child abuse homicide rates are a national problem for the military

The U.S. military has had family advocacy programs since 1986 to help troops and their families cope with life in the ranks, Pentagon spokesman Lt. Col. Joe Richard said.

"We understand the stress that the normal military life puts on families," he said. "The institution is stressful by its very nature.

### Cleaning up Ivan



Above: Navy Airmen Anthony Rodriguez, left, and Chris Duncan carry a piece of metal debris left from Hurricane Ivan recently outside barracks at the Pensacola Air Naval Station in Florida. Right: Navy Airmen Jason Simashkevich, left, and Nathan Mollman also pick up debris. Florida was bracing for a fourth hurricane, with the expected arrival of



## U.S. seeking more access to KGB files in search for missing servicemembers

By VLADIMIR ISACHENKOV The Associated Press

co-chair of a U.S.-Russian commission working to determine the fate of more extensive search through Russian government archives is needed to determine if any American prisoners from the Korean and Vietnam wars were taken to the Soviet Union

Jerry D. Jennings, the U.S. deputy assistant secretary of defense in charge of the worldwide search for missing American servicemembers, praised Russia's contribution to the painstaking effort to determine the fate of American troops missing from World War II, Korea, Vietnam and the Cold War. None have been found

But a key question has remained unanswered since the Joint Commission on POW/MIAs was set up in 1992:

Were any American prisoners from the Korean and Vietnam wars taken to the Soviet Union? "I think if there high-value prisoners, would have taken them out" to the Soviet Union, said Jennings, who served as a CIA intelligence officer in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam war. There have been clues, the problem is there is no hard evidence.

A hint emerged when researchers found a brief memoir written by the late Russian military historian and the commission's co-chair, Dmitry Volkogonov, shortly before his death in 1995, in which he said he had discovered in Russian archives a Vietnam-era document assigning the

KGB the task of "delivering knowledgeable Americans to the USSR for intelligence purposes.

Russian officials said there was no such directive and they are convinced such transfers did not take place.

If such transfers occurred, relevant documents would likely reside in KGB archives, which unlike some of the Russian Defense Ministry's files, remain classified and off-limits to

U.S. researchers, Jennings said. "It's likely that the answers are in the KGB files, it's likely that they would hold these special prisoners if they were brought in the country, Jennings told The Associated Press.

With Russian officials stonewalling requests for access to KGB archives, a possible solution could be engaging retired Russian officers to rummage through the sensitive files on behalf of U.S. officials, Jennings said.

## IN THE WORLD

## Jeanne hits the Bahamas

BY TAMMI MITCHELL The Associated Press

FREEPORT, Bahamas - Hurricane Jeanne strengthened to a dangerous Category 3 hurricane as it battered the Bahamas with ferocious winds and torrential rains Saturday.

Jeanne's eye made a direct hit on the northwestern island of Abaco Saturday morning, and its sustained winds strengthened to 115 mph, making it the sixth major hurricane of the season. Forecasters said further strengthening was possible before Jeanne hits southeast Florida.

After tearing into Abaco, a low-lying island of 20.000 people famous for its stunning beaches, Jeanne's heavy winds and rains began to reach Grand Bahama,

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where more than 70,000 live, many of them in Freenort

Jeanne was upon the Bahamas three weeks after the island chain took a beating from Frances. which killed two people and damaged thousands of homes. It top pled rows of power lines, flattened homes and unmoted trees during a two-day lashing of Grand Bahama island.

Many homes still have roofs patched with plastic sheeting, and some homeless residents are still living with relatives or neighbors.

Jeanne hit the Bahamas following a devastating hit as a tropical storm last weekend on Haiti,

where floods killed more than 1.500 and left more than 900 still missing The southern Rahamian islands were under a storm warning when Jeanne brushed past into the Atlantic, then made a loop and headed back west.

The hurricane about 155 miles east of Florida's southeast coast Saturday morning. It was moving west at nearly 14 mph.

Hurricane-force winds extended 70 miles from the center and tropical storm-force winds to 205 miles. Gusty winds and crashing waves buffeted the Bahamian can ital of Nassau

Beforehand, officials urged people to evacuate low-lying homes, and shelters were set up in schools and churches on the northwestern islands of Abaco, Eleuthera and Grand Bahama



A satellite image taken Saturday by NOAA shows hurricane Jeanne moving toward Florida at near 14 mph. The storm is expected to intensify into a Category 3 hurricane

NOAA/AP

On Friday people waited in long lines at gas stations in Freeport, crowded into stores to stock up on food and water, and rushed to secure plywood over their windows. Forecasters at the U.S. Nation

al Hurricane Center in Miami said Jeanne was likely to strengthen to a major hurricane later Saturday. The storm was forecast to stir up dangerous surf and rip currents, and dump up to 10 inches

of rain

A hurricane warning covered the northwest Bahamas and parts of Florida's east coast, and a tropical storm warning the central Bahamian islands and parts of the northeast Florida and Georgia coasts. Parts of Florida's west coast also were under hurricane

Several cruise ships were diverted, and Grand Bahama's airport was closed Friday night.

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0800-318524 toll-free the plotters.

The development comes as Sudan is under international pressure to end violence in the western Darfur region between non-Arab

and storm warnings.

## British reporter investigated for breaching royal security

BY ROBERT BARR The Associated Press

LONDON - A reporter for a British newspaper breached security at a royal residence in Scotland, police said.

Les Snowdon, Scotland editor for The Sunday Times, said Friday

that the unidentified reporter spent 20 minutes inside the Palace of Ho-

lyroodhouse and left after being challenged by a construction worker.

Police expressed annoyance with what they called a journalistic stunt. A police official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the re porter broke away from a security guard who was escorting him, and

police then spent hours searching the palace.

Snowdon said the newspaper decided to test security following a string of breaches at other royal and government facilities.

"A reporter wearing a hard hat was able to gain entry to a restricted area unchallenged, including the state rooms adjacent to the queen's bedroom," Snowdon said. "He was under instruction to remain in that area until questioned, which happened after 20 minutes. A construc-

Snowdon said the newspaper notified police and agreed to cooperate with their investigation

The incident came a week after five fox-hunting supporters ran into the Parliament chamber to protest moves to ban the sport.

Two days earlier, a man in a Batman costume scaled the front wall of London's Buckingham Palace in a protest about the rights of divorced and separated fathers to see their children.

## Sudan alleges coup plot

KHARTOUM Sudanese authorities accused an opposition party Saturday of plotting to kill more than three dozen senior government officials and blow up key sites in the capital. where heavily armed troops were out in force for a second day.

The state news agency said the planned attacks were part of a coup plot for which some members of the opposition Popular Congress Party were arrested earlier

Two army officers and an unspecified number of privates were among those arrested before plotters could launch a series of abductions and attacks that were to have begun at 2 p.m. Friday, the Sudan Media Center said. It said the officers allegedly turned over arms to

farmers and Arab nomads allegedly backed by the Arab-dominated government in Khartoum.

## Schroeder to visit Libva

BERLIN - The German government said Saturday it is pressing ahead with preparations for Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder to visit Libya, denying a report that it was considering canceling the trip amid concerns over Tripoli's delayed payment of compensation for a 1986 Berlin disco bombing.

Schroeder is expected to visit Libya in mid-October, signaling an upgrade in relations after Tripoli in August offered \$35 million for the bombing at the La Belle disco in then-West Berlin. The attack killed two U.S. servicemen and a Turkish woman and injured some 230 people.

However, lawyers for the victims say Libya, citing banking difficulties, has yet to pay a first in-stallment of \$15 million.

## Iran successfully tests 'strategic missile'

BY ALI AKBAR DAREINI The Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran - Iran added one more missile to its military arsenal and the defense minister said Saturday his country was ready to confront any external threat

"This strategic missile was successfully test-fired during military exercises by the Revolutionary Guards and delivered to the armed forces," Defense Minister Ali Shamkhani was quoted by state-run radio as saving. The weeklong exercises began Sept

The report did not say whether the missile was the previously announced new version of the Shahab-3 rocket, which already was capable of reaching Israel and U.S. forces stationed in the Middle East, or was a new missile.

Shamkhani refused to give details about the missile for "security reasons," but said Iran was "ready to confront all regional and extra-regional threats," according to the radio

Ministry officials could not be reached for com-

ment The announcement in Tehran came amid a war of words between Iran and Israel this week.

Iranian Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi has warned that Iran would react "most severely" to any Israeli strike against its nuclear facilities. Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom said Iran was a threat to his country and the whole world and that its missiles can reach London, Paris and southern Russia

In 1981, Israel bombed Iraq's nuclear reactor before the retor could begin operating and the smart hombs are believed to be capable of destroying Iranian nu-

clear facilities

Earlier this month, Israel said it was buying from the United States about 5,000 smart bombs, including 500 one-ton bun-ker-busters that can destroy 6-foot-thick concrete walls.

Israel is the only nation in the Middle East that possesses nuclear weapons, although Israeli officials have refused to confirm this

The latest Iranian announce ment also came as Iran was facing international pressure over

its nuclear energy program. Iranian officials have reneatedly said that the country's nuclear program is a peaceful one, not one intended for developing nu-

clear weapons But the U.N.'s atomic watch-dog, the International Atomic Energy Agency, has demanded that Iran freeze its uranium enrichment program — a demand that Iran has described as "illegal" but has not rejected outright.



This is a reproduction of a poster printed by Taiwan's Ministry of Defense featuring toothy cartoon characters and showing P-3C Orion submarine-hunting planes cruising blue skies, Patriot missiles blasting off with a plume of white smoke and diesel-electric subs cutting through choppy seas. It reads that the island could save up enough money for the arms if everyone cut back on drinking milky bubble tea, a popular icy beverage, over the next 15 years.

## Taiwan not getting support from public for weapons deal with U.S.

BY STEPHAN GRAUWELS

The Associated Press

TAIPEI, Taiwan - Taiwan's military is desperately trying to whip up public support for a plan to spend billions on a huge U.S. weapons deal it says is essential to fending off a Chinese attack.

The latest sales pitch: The \$18 billion price tag really isn't as big as it seems. The island could save up enough money for the arms if everyone cut back on drinking milky bubble tea - that popular icy beverage with chewy tapioca sucked up with a fat straw over the next 15 years.

The government has no intention of trying to pay

for the weapons by taking people's tea money; it's just a clever image meant to make that \$18 billion look less daunting.

The analogy is part of a new colorful poster circu-lated by the military that shows P-3C Orion submarine-hunting planes cruising blue skies, Patriot missiles blasting off with a plume of white smoke and

diesel-electric subs cutting through choppy seas. These are the weapons the government says are crucial to maintaining the balance of military power in the 100-mile Taiwan Strait — one of the world's most dangerous potential flash points.

A war could quickly draw in America, Taiwan's bodyguard since the island about the size of Maryland or the Netherlands split from China five decades ago.

"Fearing war won't avoid or stop a war. The best way to avoid a war is to be prepared for a war," President Chen Shui-bian said recently in a speech to model soldiers

But a growing and increasingly vocal group of scholars lawmakers and retired officers is challenge ing the deal - which comes up for a vote in the legislature next month. They say the weapons are too expensive and will only fuel an arms race that will bankrupt the island.

Recent polls indicate most Taiwanese think the deal is too costly

Washington shocked many and infuriated China in 2001 when newly elected President Bush agreed to sell Taiwan eight diesel-electric submarines, 12 P-3C sub-killer planes and four Kidd-class destroyers.

Now that Washington is willing to sell the long-desired submarines, the Taiwanese might damage U.S. relations by turning them down, said Andy Chang, professor at the Institute of China Studies at Tamkang University near Taipei.

## Palestinian uprising enters its fifth year

JERUSALEM - As the Palestinian intefadeh enters its fifth year of suicide bombings and impoverishment under an unyielding occupation, Israel has clearly gained the upper hand. It has plunged the Palestinian leadership into disarray, with Yasser Arafat under permanent Israeli siege as well as unprecedented attack from within his own ranks.
But the Palestinians have scored

gains too: The bloody conflict has rallied Arab public opinion as never before, and resonates among amic fighters the world over.

Now 2005 is shaping up as a year of historic change for Israel's 6.75 million citizens and the 3.6 million Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. By then, Israel's West Bank separation barrier should be nearing completion, along with Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's plan to withdraw from Gaza and parts of the West Bank. It amounts to no less than a redrawing of the political and geo-graphical boundaries of the Mideast conflict

Israelis and Palestinians are as far as ever from ending the strug-gle that has killed more than 3,100 on the Palestinian side and nearly 1,000 on the Israeli side since September 2000, when violence engulfed the Oslo peace accords of the 1990s

Today, the battles are as much internal as Arab-Israeli — be-tween Arafat and critics of his corruption-tainted 10-year rule, and between Sharon and the hard-liners in his Likud Party who bitterly oppose his plan for "hitnatkut" (disengagement) from the Pales-

The big unanswered question is whether 76-year-old Sharon's plan is the start of a true partition of historic Palestine between Arab and Jew, or a ploy to get rid of the bits he doesn't need, while consolidating Israel's control of the parts he cherishes.

Most likely it is both. On the Israeli side, many take

the barrier of walls and fences as a tacit admission that the dream of fusing Israel and the West Bank into one seamless Jewish Promised Land cannot be achieved

Israel says it's on the front line of the international war on terror. Israel's critics say its actions have doomed President Bush's Mideast peacemaking ambitions. side is blamed by the other. Each

## Albanian arrested with 64 pounds of heroin

ATHENS, Greece - Police arrested an Albanian man and seized 64 pounds of heroin smuggled into Greece from neighboring Albania, authorities said Saturday

Police said the alleged drug trafficker - identified as Bashkimi Katali, 22, from Fieri, Albania — was arrested early Friday at an apartment in the Athens' Kerameikos district.

During the raid, officers seized a suitcase containing the heroin, which was in small nackages

Authorities said Katali is suspected of being part of a large trafficking network that was used to smuggle some 66 pounds of heroin from Alba-

nia to Greece every two weeks. "Based on the evidence gathered so far, we can say that specific group is one of the largest ones that smuggled and trafficked heroin in Greece from Albania," police said in a statement.

#### Croatian teen's secret costs \$30.000

ZAGREB, Croatia - A 13-year-old girl who paid off three older teens so they wouldn't tell her parents she smoked soon found herself in even worse trouble: The teens threatened to kill her father if she didn't fork over more money, police said.

The three suspects, ages 15, 16 and 17, were detained Thursday, after the girl had told her parents she had paid them \$30,000 in bribes since March, Zagreb police spokeswoman Gordana Vuluma said. The girl had taken the money from her parents, who had saved it to

pay for a new home. Like many Croatians who don't trust banks, they had kept the cash at home.

From The Associated Press

## New service delivers after-death e-mails

BY CIARAN GILES The Associated Press

MADRID. Spain - E-mail from beyond the grave? Not exact-

But a Spanish Internet company is breaking fresh ground on the Web by offering people the chance to write one last e-mail, complete with video clip or photo attachments, and send it to loved ones, friends or even enemies after the person who wrote it is dead

"Most people leave notes behind in drawers or boxes knowing or hoping they will be found after they die. This is the same, but via Internet," said Alberto Iriarte, 33, director of Global Spectrum, the Pamplona-based company which

He said that the site, with English, Spanish and Portuguese versions, has been running since January but only really began to take off in July.

More than 300 people have signed up so far, the majority of them from Spain, Brazil and the United States, he said.

"We're getting some 200 hits a

day, of which an average of two become clients," Iriarte told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from the company's office in Brazil

The site offers four plans, which range from a free service that allows users to send just one e-mail, to a lifetime membership that allows for unlimited e-mails and megabytes of storage space, but can cost up to \$240.

Mid-range packages cost between \$11 to \$22 until users die. In the meantime, they can update and rewrite those final farewells as often as they like

"People find computers more intimate and private than letters and they feel freer to say things this way," said Iriarte, a Pamplona-born computer engineer.

"Some people say we're trying to make money out of death, but it's not like that," Iriarte said.

"We see it as trying to help people get over the grief.

Strict privacy is guaranteed by powerful encryption algorithms and a personal password of 128-bits to which only the client, and not the Web site, has ac-

Global Spectrum unleashes a client's e-mails once it is notified and confirms that the person is

dead On signing up, clients are given a document to be placed with a trustee who will use it to inform the company of the client's death.
"It's not a substitute for a will,"

"It's a modern version of that drawer or box where we have al-

ways left our letters. Clients, however, have to take Global Spectrum's word that, un-like them, it will still be around to send the e-mails and won't have perished into cyberspace.

## In Sweden, a desired Rembrandt goes on sale

BY MATTIAS KAREN

The Associated Press

STOCKHOLM, Sweden - Flanked by gun-toting guards and security cameras, one of the few Rembrandt paintings not in a museum or private collection went on public display Saturday and on sale with an asking price of \$46 million.

The 1635 painting, "Minerva In Her Study," is one of the most significant to be offered in Sweden Art dealer Verner Aamell told The Associated Press he'll keep the painting by the Dutch master on display in a private gallery in the capital and let the public view it for four weeks. The opening comes a month after

armed thieves broke into a museum in Oslo, Norway, and made off with Edvard Munch's masterpieces "The Scream" and "Madonna."

The brazen daylight theft stirred a debate across Europe on how to protect art if thieves are prepared to use deadly force to take it

Unlike the guards at the Edvard Munch Museum in Oslo, those watching over the Rembrandt will be armed. Alarms are in place, and video camerwill run in the gallery

24-hours-a-day.

"We have a better possibility of protecting ourselves than [the Munch Mu-



Art dealer Verner Aamell, right, poses by "Minerva in her Study," a painting by 17th century Dutch artist Rembrandt, in his gallery in Stockholm, Sweden. The Minerva will be part of an exhibition at the gallery before it will be auctioned at a price of \$46.24 million, the most expensive piece of art ever sold in Sweden.

seum] does," as the painting will only be on view for a month, Aamell said Friday. "This is an old bank office, with a vault and everything. The risk

of theft is very small. Ulf Goeranzon, a Stockholm Police Department spokesman, said the gallerv has not requested help from po-

Aamell is no stranger to art theft. In

2002, five paintings he was displaying at an antique fair outside Stockholm were stolen One was Jan Brueghel's "View Over

Alost" which was valued at \$3.2 million. The painting has not been found. Desnite concerns about theft the

Rembrandt, which is insured, may not find a buyer, he said. The record price for a painting by

Rembrandt van Rijn was \$28.7 million for his 1632 "Portrait of a Lady" in De-cember 2000 at Christie's in London.

Aamell said several foreign art collectors have expressed interest in the painting, but he hopes it will end up in

"Minerva In Her Study" depicts the ancient Roman goddess of wisdom and war sitting at a table, illuminated by light. Before her is an open book and one hand marks the snot she is reading. Behind her is a golden helmet, globe, spear and a shield bearing the head of the gorgon Medusa

## Unknown relative leaves Briton rare Shakespeare book

The Associated Press

LONDON - A British housewife is planning to auction a rare edition of a Shakespeare book that she inherited from a distant relative she didn't know existed.

Mother-of-three Anne Humphries, 48, was bequeathed a 380-year-old First Folio - the name given to the first printed edition of Shakespeare's collected plays.

Formally titled "Mr. William Shakespeare's Comedies, Histories & Tragedies," the book is dated 1623. About 750 copies were printed, but only some 230 are known to survive worldwide, and of those only 15 are believed to be privately owned, said Catriona Finlayson, a spokeswoman for the British Library. The library has five copies of the First

The book belonged to Frances Cottle, the London widow of a tailor's cutter who died in 2002 and left it to Humphries, her closest living relative. It took a genealogist two years to track her down, said Humphries, who lives in Stockport in northern England.

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A solicitor phoned to tell her of the legacy.
"I was told it was William Shakespeare. I thought, 'Oh, right — It's just going to be a copy,' "Humphries said.
"But when I got hold of it, I thought, 'Oh God! I don't think it is a copy,' It is just so captivating, the paper and the writing and everything," she said. "I thought it was special and had to have it checked out."

She took it to Bloomsbury Auctions, a London auctioneer specializing in book sales, which established it was an original First Folio

The book will be sold by Bloomsbury's on Oct. 7. Spokesman Richard Caton said a conservative estimate of the sale price was 60,000-80,000 pounds (\$108,000-\$144.00). He said the copy was in "sophisticated" condition, meaning that it wasn't 100 percent complete and had been partially restored. Humphries said she hoped the book would be enjoyed by

others

"At the end of the day, I hope it goes to a museum; the nublic deserve to look at it " she said.

#### Love them or hate them, moon cakes are big business in Taiwan BY WILLIAM FOREMAN be sold before the Sept. 28 holiday, it can Alan Lee, a middle-aged Taipei insurshoppers and urge them to take a free nib-

The Associated Press

TAIPEI, Taiwan - They look like hockey pucks baked in a golden brown crust They're loaded with sweet red bean paste pineapple, salty duck eggs or other classic Chinese fillings. And they're everywhere. It's moon cake time in Taiwan and other

Chinese societies, a season when people give the pastries to family, friends and customers to mark the mid-autumn festival a major holiday in the ethic Chinese world that's a cross between Thanksgiving and Valentine's Day

But although millions of moon cakes will

be hard to find people who like eating them. Boxes of them pile up in offices, and surplus cakes often get moldy and are tossed away at homes.

Giving moon cakes has become one of those odd, obligatory traditions fueling a huge industry that produces a product few le would buy for themse

The pastries have become like American fruitcakes - a stodgy Christmas dessert that often evokes more dread than joy.

The cakes are victims of changing tastes among an increasingly affluent, hip urban population that has developed a taste for Belgian chocolate, New York-style cheesecake and Japanese rice pastries

ance executive, said he doesn't eat moon cakes because he's worried about calories or "ka lu li" in Mandarin.

"My daughter and son, they don't even want to look at them," added Lee, who said he loved eating the cakes as a child. "They just don't have a taste for them. They have McDonald's and many other kinds of desserts.

The basement food court at the Shin Kong Mitsukoshi department store in downtown Taipei is crowded with booths selling moon cakes.

Saleswomen in bright aprons accost

ble or a full-color brochure of their offer-

The traditional moon cake is round, shined up with an egg wash and baked dark brown. They're shaped by a mold that leaves an elaborate impression, which usu-ally includes the moon cake brand-name in Chinese characters. Often the desserts contain a bright yellow duck egg yolk. This type is especially popular among the Cantonese in Hong Kong and mainland China's Guangdong province. Taiwanese prefer moon cakes that have a flaky white crust and are shaped like a lopsided squash ball. Others are square and as big as a matchbook or credit card.

50 to 99%

100%

# Fla. orders evacuation of 3 million residents

BY JILL BARTON

FORT PIERCE, Fla. — Hurricane Jeanne intensified an moved faster toward Florida's Atlantic coast Saturday, sending residents scrambling to shutter their homes and stock up on disaster supplies. Three million people were told to evacuate.

The storm, packing winds near 115 mph, was expected to hit Florida late Saturday or early Sunday. It is the fourth hurricane to slam the state this season, a scenario unmatched since 1886 when four storms hit Texas.

Jeanne hovered off the coast as a Category 3 storm, but Jack Beven, a hurricane specialist at the National Hurricane Center in Miami, warned that a Category 4 storm with winds of at least 131 mph "is not out of the question."

Jeanne, churning across the northern Bahamas, was poised to slam some of the same areas of Florida hit by the earlier storms.

Many residents, who awoke to forecasts that the storm had become stronger and could hit sooner, were frantically gathering supplies at the last minute before stores closed. Traffic on highways was heavier than normal as people headed out of harm's way.

Airlines began canceling lights at airports in Miami and Fort Lauderdale, which were planning to close, stranding some passengers. Authorities urged storm-weary residents not to become complacent and to speed up plans to secure their property and evacuate if necessary before the weather deteriorated.

"I can't imagine someone not taking this seriously after the last six weeks," Gov. Jeb Bush said

In Fort Pierce, where Frances battered and flooded homes all along the waterfront, Bob Gorman and his family began packing up three cars to evacuate just a few days after they returned to their damaged home. Frances sent water rushing into their house, tore apart their dock and left their walls covered with mold

"We're still recovering from Frances. We're just salvaging what we can," said Gorman, an attorney, who's lived on the waterfront for four years. "We were flooded last time and we're going to be flooded again. Everybody's just so busy and shellshocked." Meteorologists said Jeanne's

Meteorologists Said Jeanne's outer bands could begin affecting Florida by Saturday afternoon and its expected northern turn could happen after the storm strikes land, sending Jeanne up and through east and central Florida.

Jeanne would be the latest in a devastating chain of hurricanes that have rattled southwest and central Florida (Charley), the state's midsection (Frances) and Florida's Panhandle (Ivan).

Combined, the storms have caused billions of dollars of damage and at least 70 deaths in Florida.

Bush warned that Jeanne could be stronger than Frances, which caused more \$4.1 billion in insured damages in Florida and killed at least 24.

At 11 a.m. EDT, Jeanne was centered about 155 miles east of the Palm Beach area and was moving west at 14 mph, slightly faster than Friday. Sustained winds were 115 mph.

## **Hurricane Jeanne churning westward**

10 to 19%

20 to 499

More than half a million residents of Florida's east coast were urged to evacuate – again – as Hurricane Jeanne churned westward

Friday threatening to become the fourth hurricane to pound the state in the last six weeks.

Probability that center of Hurricane Jeanne will pass within 75 miles, during the 72 hours starting at 8 a.m. EDT Friday

As of 5 p.m. EDT, Friday

Hurricane warning Hurricane watch
Potential day 1 to 3 track area
Potential day 4 to 5 track area

---- Hurricane Jeanne
---- Recent hurricanes



SOURCE: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

## Study: Airport check-in lines open to attack

LOS ANGELES — Moving travelers more quickly through check-in and screening at Los Angeles International Airport is the cheapest way to protect them from a potential terror attack, according to a new study commissioned by the city.

Slow screenings have created long lines on sidewalks and in lobbies that are a "tempting target for terrorists," the Rand Corporation said in a 47-nage report released Friday.

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The study called for a series of relatively low-cost changes including a recommendation that the city spend about \$4 million annually to add workers at curbside and security checkyonists. It also advised the airport to run background checks on all its personnel, screen cargo for explosives and build permanent vehicle checkpoints.

#### California OKs vehicle emissions rules

LOS ANGELES — California has adopted the world's first rules to reduce greenhouse emissions for autos, taking what supporters see as a dramatic step toward cleaning up the environment but also ensuring higher costs for drivers.

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The rules may lead to sweeping changes in vehicles nationwide, especially if other states opt to follow California's example. New York has already said it will follow the regulations.

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Under the regulations, unanimously approved Friday by the California Air Resources Board, the auto industry must cut exhaust from California's cars and light trucks by 25 percent and from larger trucks and sport utility vehicles by 18 percent. Auto industry officials argued vehemently against the regulations

Auto industry officials argued vehemently against the regulations on three points — that the board did not have the authority to adopt the regulations, that they could not be met by current technology and that they unfairly targeted California, which produces less than 1 percent of the world's greenhouse gases.

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The board said its research had found that the regulations would result in vehicle price increases that would top out at about \$1,000 most per vehicle by 2016. The industry will have until 2009 to begin introducing cleaner technology, and until 2016 to meet new exhaust standards.

## Man arrested along Bush motorcade route

PADDOCK LAKE, Wis. — A man sitting in a car along the route for President Bush's motorcade faces charges for having a loaded gun and a throwing knife.

John Waldron Jr., 57, of Trevor was noticed by another spectator because he was dressed as a woman. The spectator contacted authorities. The gun, in a case, and the knife were in the vehicle.

Waldron couldn't explain why he had the weapons but told an investigator he was only there to take a picture of the president, according to a sheriff's report. Waldron will be charged with disorderly conduct and carrying a concealed weapon.

The Associated Press

## Sniper suspect Malvo to plead guilty

#### BY MATTHEW BARAKAT The Associated Press

McLEAN, Va. — Teenage sniper Lee Boyd Malvo will admit guilt to a second of 10 killings in October 2002, and drop all appeals of his first conviction, his lawyer said

A plea hearing is scheduled for Oct. 26 in Spotsylvania County Circuit Court, where Malvo is charged with capital murder in the Oct. 11, 2002, killing of Kenneth Bridges.

Malvo will plead guilty and accept a sentence of life in prison, defense attorney Michael Arif said Friday. The plea bargain would eliminate the possibility of a death sentence in that case.

The teen will also drop all appeals of his conviction last year for the murder of

FBI analyst Linda Franklin. The jury in that case sentenced him to life in prison, sparing him the death penalty.



Malvo

"He gave us instructions to get this done as quickly as possible," Arif said. "He knows he's not going anywhere." For a brief period, Arif said, Malvo held on to a "fantasy" hope that if he could talk to his partner in the criter rayes. Loth allen Mu.

Malvo now 19 but 17 at the time

of the killings, is ready to accept a

lifetime in prison, his lawyer said.

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But Arif said Malvo now realizes that will not happen.

## Survivor: Plane in flames before it stopped

BY SARAH R. CRAIG The Associated Press

KALISPELL, Mont. — The single-engine plane that crashed into a Montana mountain, killing three people, was in flames before it came to rest, one of the two survivors told authorities.

"Even before they stopped,

there was fire in the aircraft," Flathead County Sheriff Jim Dupont said Jodee Hogg told him. "She recalls tremendous pressure, heat and then a flash."

Authorities initially said Monday's crash killed all five aboard. But Hogg, 23, and Matthew Ramige, 29, emerged from the wilderness on a highway Wednesday, a day after authorities had announced their deaths. Ramige is in serious condition at a Seattle hospital for a broken spine and severe burns. Hogg was being treated for burns and bruises at a Kalispell hospital, but her condition wasn't released.

Hogg had been sitting by the door of the plane and got out after the crash. Dupont said.

"She turns around, reaches for Matt and his foot was caught. She was pulling on him and got him out," Dupont recounted. "The fire was roaring at this point."

Hogg also told Dupont that another passenger, Davita Bryant, had "blood in her hair and on her

had "blood in her hair and on her face and she wasn't moving."

The crash occurred near the

The crash occurred near the southern edge of Glacier National Park. The workers intended to conduct an annual vegetation inventory and repair telecommunication facilities, but crashed in stormy weather about 15 minutes into the

Jim Long, 60, was piloting the plane. Also on board were Ken Good, 58, an employee of the Flathead National Forest and Bryant, 32, another Forest Service employee.

The wreckage shows no signs of engine or other mechanical failure, said Georgia Strubsaker, a National Transportation Safeth Board investigator. She said a preliminary report on the crash should be out by the middle of next week, but that it may be nine months before the NTSB announc-

es a probable cause.

## Bush, Kerry plan to spend, spend, spend

BY ALAN FRAM
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush and Democratic Sen. John Kerry have starkly different economic priorities with a common thread: price tags exceeding \$1 trillion that could pump already huge deficits skyward over the next decade.

Headlining Bush's budget goals for a second term is making permanent the tax cuts he has pushed through Congress, at a 10-year cost the administration sets at nearly \$1 trillion. Leading Kerry's agenda are his 10-year, \$653 billion health care plan and a \$207 billion education package.

Both candidates supported the five and six-year extensions of \$135 billion in middle-income tax cuts that Congress passed Thursday. Kerry wouldn't have included the \$13 billion in renewed business tax breaks that Congress attached to it but would have added bigger government child-support checks to working low-income families who do not pay income taxes.

Though he has offered no details, Bush also would let workers divert part of their Social Security taxes to new personal savings accounts — which some analysts estimate could cost \$2 trillion over the period.

Kerry would raise the money

## Candidates' economic plans by the numbers

The Associated Pres

Highlights of the economic plans of President Bush and Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry.

All figures are totals for the 10 years ending in 2014 unless otherwise indicated.

■ Kerry initiatives: Health care, \$653 billion; education, \$207 billion; 5 percent corporate tax cut, \$120 billion; veterans and military families, \$55 billion; temporary jobs stimulus, \$47 billion; energy and environment, \$35 billion.

■ Kerry savings: Repeal Bush tax cuts on people

earning more than \$200,000 annually, \$860 billion; create a commission to recommend ways to reduce federal payments to corporations and enact those proposals, \$300 billion; better disease man-

agement by companies and other health savings, \$300 billion; close loopholes on taxes owed by companies overseas, \$120 billion; cut 100,000 federal

contractors, \$50 billion; cut federal electric bill by

■ Bush initiatives: Tax cuts and spending increases for health care, economic development, education and jobs, S74 billion; extension of tax cuts enacted in 2001 and 2003, which otherwise expire by 2010, \$979 billion; other tax cuts for education, charitable giving, other items: \$199 billion.

■ Other Bush initiatives: Defense and domestic security, \$185 billion.

■ Bush savings: All other domestic programs, excluding automatic benefits like Social Security, \$115 billion; Medicaid and other benefit programs, \$33 billion

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than \$200,000.

the Kerry campaign denies.

Bush would steer the budget on
a different course. At his party's
national convention this month,
he proposed doubling job-training funds and expanding health
care tax breaks, a package his
campaign prices at \$74 billion

prise Institute, estimates its true

0-year cost at \$1.5 trillion, which

uled to expire by 2010, though

many lawmakers and analysts be-

claim \$860 billion in 10-year sav-

ings by repealing the tax cuts for

families earning more than \$200,000 annually. It also lets him

claim no cost for another of his

top initiatives: extending the tax

reductions for those making less

Kerry's assumption lets him

lieve they will be renewed.

over 10 years. He also touted his desire to let workers use some of their Social Security taxes to create personal savings accounts, without offering specifics.

Peter Orszag, an economist at the Brookings Institution, said he believes such a plan could cost about \$2 trillion over 10 years, including adjustments for inflation.

for his priorities by repealing tax cuts on upper-income people, increasing government efficiency and prodding companies to improve workers' health coverage. Some analysts say he has underpriced his health plan and proposed some savings that are wishful thinking.

"They are presenting very, very different agendas. But they arrive at roughly the same place relative to the deficit," said Robert Bixby, executive director of the Concord Coalition, a bipartisan group that advocates balanced budgets.

Bixby estimates both men's initiatives would increase the government's red ink by at least \$1.2 trillion through 2014

trillion through 2014.

Bush and Kerry each assert they would cut the annual deficit in half within five years.

Kerry favors budget restric-

Kerry favors budget restrictions that go further than Bush, like requiring savings to pay for tax cuts, and has said he would trim his priorities if deficts worsen. That won praise from the investment bank Goldman, Sachs & Co., which wrote in a newsletter this month, "On the budget, Senator Kerry is more credible" than Bush

Even so, each candidate's deficit-reduction plan has been overshadowed by promises to cut taxes or boost spending. "Voters like tax cuts, spending

increases and deficit reduction. All three are incompatible, but vague promises make it look achievable," said Brian Riedl, budget analyst with the conservative Heritage Foundation. "Neither party has offered a detailed or realistic plan."

Kerry finds money for his proposals by starting with the assumption that the Bush tax cuts for all taxpayers will remain in efclose.

## Presidential candidates stand worlds apart on foreign policy

BY JON SAWYER

WASHINGTON — When President Bush and Sen. John Kerry agreed to make foreign policy the focus of their first debate, this Thursday in Miami, they underscored what is becoming increasingly apparent: America's role in the world — not domestic economic or social issues — will determine the November election.

But what precisely America's role should be, and where the visions of the candidates most sharply diverge, is far from clear in what they've said so far and in interviews with their senior foreign-policy advisers.

Last week's dueling speeches, Kerry's in New York and Philadelphia and Bush's before the United Nations, showed that each man intends to use Iraq to define his opponent, with Bush highlighting Kerry's wayward past statements and Kerry stressing the gap between Bush's rhetoric and what Kerry describes as rank incompetence.

When it comes to what should be next for Iraq, however, their prescriptions are remarkably similar. Both put the emphasis on attracting more international support, faster training of Iraqi security forces, faster reconstruction and, above all, insisting that the elections set for January take place on time.

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The principal difference is that Kerry claims Bush hasn't backed his talk with deeds and that he, if elected, would.

"The president of the United States speaks words that sound right," Rand Beers, Kerry's principal foreign policy adviser, said in a meeting with reporters Friday. "But he's the president, so he also has to implement the words — and he's not doing that. That's what Sen. Kerry is trying to draw attention to: The president has to things, not just think about

Richard Falkenrath, a senior policy adviser in the Bush campaign, says the difference is in Kerry's focus on beginning to draw down the current total of 135,000 U.S. troops in Iraq, as soon as six months after his inauguration.

"He's emphasizing troop withdrawal at the same time as he's saying he can get other countries to commit more troops, and that doesn't make any sense," Falkenrath said in an interview Friday. "It would be nice to bring the troops home. But the president policy in Iraq is based on success, on standing by the Iraqi government. When that job is done, the troops will come home." If the differences on prospective policy on Iraq appear limited, that is even more the case on a wide range of front-line foreign policy issues that might surface at the Miami debate, from homeland security to trade with China.

Both candidates agree, most importantly, that terrorism is the greatest single threat facing the world. "The war on terror is as monumental a struggle as the Cold War," Kerry said Friday at Temple University. "Its outcome will determine whether we and our children liven in freedom or in fear."

"All civilized nations are in this struggle together," Bush said in his speech at the United Nations. "And all must fight the murderers."

These are assessments with which most of the world differs, however, judging from the parade of leaders who spoke during the opening sessions last week of the U.N. General Assembly.

At the assembly, speaker after speaker stressed the mounting challenge of poverty and disease, the lack of education and jobs, the growing gaps between rich and poor — and the failure of the richest nations, especially the United States, to meet pledges for a significant increase in development aid that were made two years ago.

## Debate schedule Schedule of presidential and vice presidential debates:

Thursday, Sept. 30

(Presidential candidates)

■ Where: University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla. ■ Format: Seated at table ■ Moderator: Jim Lehrer

## Tuesday, Oct. 5

- (Vice presidential candidates)

  Where: Case Western
- Reserve University, Cleveland
  Format: Seated at table
  Moderator: Gwen Ifill

### Friday, Oct. 8

- (Presidential candidates)

   Where: Washington
  University, St. Louis
- Format: Town hall
  Moderator: Charles Gibson

#### Wednesday, Oct. 13 (Presidential candidates)

- Where: Arizona State
- University, Tempe, Ariz.

  Format: Seated at table
- Moderator: Bob Schieffer

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Critics note that official U.S. development assistance two years later remains at 0.15 percent of gross domestic product — about \$15 billion, compared to \$450 billion on defense — despite the U.S. pledge at Monterey to move toward the target aid goal of 0.7 per-

## RNC plays on fears of Bible Belt

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Republican National Committee acknowledged this week that it distributed campaign literature in West Virginia and Arkansas warning voters that liberals want to ban the Bible.

When reporters asked about the mailings on Sept. 17, RNC Chairman Ed Gillespie said he wasn't aware of the material and did not confirm that it was distributed by the Republicans.

However, Gillespie said it "could be the work" of the party. Contacted Friday by The Asso-

ciated Press, party spokeswoman Christine Iverson said the GOP already had acknowledged it was the source of the mass mailings.

The literature claims that "the liberal agenda includes removing 'under God' from the Pledge of Allegiance" and shows a Bible with the word "BANNED" across it.

It also shows a photo of a man, on his knees, placing a ring on the hand of another man with the word "ALLOWED," a reference to same-sex marriage.

The mailing tells people to "vote Republican to protect our families" and defeat the "liberal agenda."

# Study finds dogs have ability to smell cancer

BY EMMA ROSS The Associated Press

LONDON — We have always suspected that man's best friend has a special ability to sense when something is wrong with us, but the first experiment to verify that scientifically has demonstrated

that dogs are able to smell cancer. Experts say it is unlikely pooches will become practical partners in cancer detection any time soon, but that the results of the study by English scientists are promising.

They showed that when urine from bladder cancer patients was set out among samples from healthy people or those with other diseases, the dogs — ordinary pets — were able to identify the cancer urine almost three times more often than would be expected by chance alone.

"The issue is not whether or not they can detect cancer, because clearly they can. The issue is whether you can set up a system whereby they can communicate with you. That requires further ingenuity," said Tim Cole, a professor of medical statistics at Imperial College in London, who was not connected with the research but is the owner of a chocolate labrador retriever.

David Neal, a bladder and prostate cancer surgeon at Cambridge University in England, said it's plausible that dogs might be able to pick up the scent of cancer because people with the disease shed unique abnormal proteins in their urine. It is thought that a dog's sense of smell is 10,000 to 100,000 times better than a human's.

The idea that they may be able to smell cancer was first put forward in 1989 by two London dermatologists, who described the case of a woman asking for a mole to be cut out of her leg because her dog would constantly sniff at it, even through her trousers, but ignore all her other moles.

It turned out she had malignant melanoma — a deadly form of skin cancer. But it was caught early enough to save her life.

Then in 2001, another pair of English doctors reported a similar case of a man with a patch of eczema on his leg for 18 years, until one day his pet labrador started to persistently sniff the patch, again through his trousers. It turned out the man had developed skin cancer and, once the tumor was cut out, the dog showed no further interest in the eczema natch.

A handful of similar anecdotes have since been reported, but the latest study is the first rigorous test of the theory to be published.

The experiment, conducted by researchers at Amersham Hospital in England and the nearby organization Hearing Dogs for Deaf People, set out to prove whether dogs could be trained to pick out cancer.

Six dogs — all the pets of the trainers — were used in the study. They were three working strain cocker spaniels, one papillon, a Labrador and a mongrel.

## Dogs detect scent of cancer

A study shows dogs can be trained to distinguish patients with bladder cancer by smelling certain compounds released in the patient's urine.

Sniffing out traces of cancer

Training Dogs were trained to discriminate between urine from patients with bladder cancer and urine from diseased and healthy people.

Testing Dogs were assessed for

Testing Dogs were assessed for ability to select one urine sample from bladder cancer patient placed among six control samples.

Results Number of times dogs selected the bladder cancer urine: On 54 attempts

© © © 22 selections Success rate

Expected by chance

Source: British Medical Journal



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Viewed by most as cute little animals, squirrels often nest and eat inside electric substations, causing millions of dollars in damage.

# Cute and furry or 'evil rodents'?

## Mischievous squirrels causing power outages all over States

BY TOM MOONEY
The Providence Journal

In this season of ripening nuts, a biological weapon of mass destruction is scurrying rampant across the nation.

In the last few weeks alone, thousands of people in Clay, N.Y., in Melbourne, Fla., and students at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville have been driven into darkness by the fidgety antagonist.

The squirrel is on its annual foraging ritual, much to the chagrin of utility companies everywhere.

Not only do gray squirrels create power failures, "they create public relations headaches for utilities," a utility company spokesman says.

Last Sunday, one squirrel traversed the high voltage wires of a Providence, R.I., substation, triggering an electrical failure at Rhode Island Hospital.

"We refer to them as rats with good public relations," says Chris Riley, spokesman for Connecticut Light & Power, which serves 1.2 million customers.

"Everyone thinks squirrels are cute, furry and pleasant, when in fact they are evil rodents."

Riley's venomous aversion to squirrels is seeded in the awkward position the creatures place him in, usually once a month os, by their inquisitive and seemingly suicidal tendency to gnaw and scamper across wires wielding as much as 345,000 kilovolts of electricity.

The animals will chew on a transformer, or inadvertently form a furry connection between two wires in a substation, and suddenly the lights go out — for them and thousands of utility custom-

"Not only do they create outages but they create public relations headaches for utilities, because oftentimes your response to what caused the outages is greeted with skepticism," says Riley.

People accept that a falling tree limb can cause a power failure, Riley says. But tell them a squirrel caused the problem, and often they respond as if hearing the old dog-ate-my-homework excuse.

Even reporters who call for details "will chuckle," he says.

But squirrel-caused power failures are no laughing matter to the utility industry.

Each year, squirrels are responsible for almost 10 percent of all power failures around the country, says Dan Metz, an engine with the Electric Power Research Institute, a nonprofit energy research organization in Palo Alto, Calif.

That translates into literally

thousands of failures each year. The utilities have attempted to meet the challenge of a creative adversary with equally creative attempts to keep him at bay. But "success is marginal," Metz says.

Utility companies have put fake owls on power lines to scare them away and invested in virtually impenetrable heat-shrinking insulation wrap.

Some utilities like Connecticut Power have hung bottles of fox urine from the fences around their substations to scare the squirrels.

## Alligator: It's what's for dinner

BY CORALIE CARLSON

The Associated Press

PALMDALE, Fla. — A dozen pairs of ominous olive eyes and snouts emerge from the murky lagoon, gathering near the dock where Roy Dyer stands with a 5-gallon bucket of raw chicken.

He coos to them like kittens and dangles a chicken leg over the water until one of the crocodiles leaps up — revealing 64 menacing teeth — and slams its powerful jaws shut around the snack with such force that it can be heard inside the gift shop.

It's eatin' time at Gatorama, a venerable Florida roadside attraction and gator farm with nearly 4,000 alligators and crocodiles.

And after watching the reptiles chow down, visitors can sample the creatures themselves: the restaurant serves gator ribs and specialties made from Florida's other white meat.

The delicacy tastes "close to

pork, but there's no bone or fat," said Patty Register, who owns and operates Gatorama along with her husband, Allen. She disputes any likeness to chicken.

In addition to a menu of gator dishes, Gatorama claims to have

## Mmmm ... gator recipes

Fried Gator Bites

#### ieu dator bite

Ingredients:
■ 2 lbs. gator

specialties:

- 2 lbs. gator ■ 1 cup flour.
- 1/4 cup cornmeal Everglades seasoning
- vegetable or peanut oil for rying

Directions: Cut gator into small finger sized pieces. Combine flour and meal in a bag. Add gator and shake. Deep fry 3 to 5 minutes at 350 degrees until they float. Season with Everglades Seasoning.

the largest collection of large alligators and crocodiles — about 60 that are 12 feet or longer — and the only breeding colony of alligators in the United States.

Gatorama was one of the state's original gator farms — it holds one of 30 licenses issued in 1987 — and is one of about 18 farms currently producing in Florida, according to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

## Recipes for Gatorama's house Blackened Alligator

Ingredients:

■ 2 lbs. gator tail

■ blackened seasoning mix ■ butter or Italian dressing

Directions: Place fillet between two sheets of wax paper and flatten with meat mallet or rolling pin until about ¼ inch thick. Dip fillet in butter or dressing to coat each side. Sprinkle both sides heavily with mix. Cook on white hot skillet until done, about 2 to 3 minutes on each side until crispy.

Serve with lemon or butter if desired.

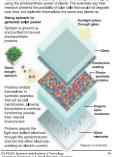
— The Associated Press

Statewide, Florida farms produced more than 207,000 pounds of alligator meat and more than 27,000 hides in 2002, the most recent year statistics are available. Gatorama harvests about 1,000

alligators annually and sells more than 15,000 pounds of meat a year, most if it over the counter at the Gatorama gift shop, although they will ship it overnight anywhere.

## Popeye may be onto something with spinach

### Photosynthesis meets photovoltaics



## MIT researchers power electronics with photosynthesis

BOSTON — "Eat your spinach," Mom used to say. "It will make your muscles grow, power your laptop and recharge your cell phone ..." OK. So nobody's moth-er said those last two things. But researchers at the Massachusetts In-

stitute of Technology say they have used spinach to harness a plant's ability to convert sunlight into energy for the first time. creating a device that may one day power laptops, mobile phones and more.

otosynthesis, the process by which plants use light beams for energy rather than eating food like animals, has been

known to scientists for decades But attempts to combine the organic with the electronic had always failed: Isolate the photosynthetic proteins that capture the energy from sunlight, and they die. Inject the water and salt needed to keep the proteins alive, and the electronic equipment is destroyed.

That was until Shuguang Zhang, associate director of MIT's Center for Biomedical Engineering, discovered that protein building blocks called detergent peptides could be manipulated to keep the proteins alive up to three weeks while in contact with electronics

"Stabilizing the protein is crucial," said Zhang, who collaborated with researchers from MIT, the University of Tennessee and the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory. including electrical engineers, nanotech-nology experts and biologists. "Detergent peptide turned out to be a wonderful mate-

rial to keep proteins intact. The scientists, whose findings were first reported in NanoLetters, a publication of the American Chemical Society, then cre-

ated a "spinach sandwich. Why spinach? In reality, any number of plants could have been used. But the researchers chose spinach because "it is cheap and is easily available from the gro-

cery store," Zhang said. The spinach was ground up and purified to isolate a protein deep within the spinach

A top layer of glass was coated underneath with a conductive material and a thin layer of gold to aid the chemical reac-

tion. In the middle, the spinach-peptide mixture sits on a soft, organic semiconduc-tor that prevents electrical shorts and protects the protein complexes from a bottom

layer of metal. layer of metal.

By shining laser light on the "sand-wich," researchers were able to generate a tiny current. While one device by itself can't generate much energy, billions of them together could produce enough elec-

tricity to power a device.
"It's like a penny," Zhang said. "One penny is not much use, but 1 billion pen-

nies is a lot of money."

Practical applications are still a decade or so away, but the advantages include the technology's lightweight qualities, portabil-ity and environmental friendliness. ty and environmental friendliness. There is no waste," Zhang said.

The researchers suggest the technology could be used as a backup energy supply for battery-powered portable devices. "We have crossed the first hurdle of suc-

cessfully integrating a photosynthetic pro-tein molecular complex with a solid-state electronic device," said Marc Baldo, an assistant professor of electrical engineering and computer science at MIT

## 'Money plays a big part in making you happy'

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Money may not buy happiness, but for many people it apparently puts a down payment on satisfaction.

People who make more than \$75,000 a year are far more likely than those who make \$25,000 or less to say are "very satisfied" with their lives - 56 percent of the higher-income group comnared with 24 percent of the lower-income group, according to AP polling.

Money alone doesn't equal satisfaction, however. People who are married and have college degrees were more likely to be "very satisfied" than others who had equal incomes, the polling found.

"Money is not everything, but it allows you to do things many peo-ple can't always do," said Bob Poll: Many say cash increases level of statisfaction in life

Russell, a 53-year-old businessman from Hockessin, Del. "We've been very fortunate as far as accumulating money."

Despite uncertainty about the economy and fears of terrorism, about eight in 10 people said they are at least somewhat satisfied with their lives and four in 10 said they are very satisfied, according to polling done for the AP by Ipsos-Public Affairs.

Whites were more likely than non-whites to say they are very satisfied, while Republicans were more inclined than Democrats to feel that way

Public opinion specialist Robert Blendon, a professor at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government, said people with moderate incomes have seen their satisfaction decrease in recent years because of the stress of worrying about paying for things like health care and retirement.

But some people say they're satisfied just to have enough to live

"Some people seem to think the world owes them something," said Jean Kelley, a 63-year old retiree from Ozark, Ala. "We never felt that way.'

One of her five grown children has Down syndrome and still lives with Kelley and her husband of 47 years, a retired military pilot.

But she doesn't view that as a hardship.

"We feel like we're truly blessed," she said, "With my other children, when I thought about them leaving home, I'd al-most throw up. The good Lord sent me one that will stay with

For retiree Clifford Sturtevant of Savannah, Ga., his lifelong job with a company like Coca-Cola offered financial security but his family is the main factor he cites

for being very satisfied.

He and his wife of 62 years raised two children "who never gave us a minute's worth of trou-ble." They thoroughly enjoy a rel-

atively low key life in retirement. "We both still get along good," said Sturtevant. "We eat out quite often. That ain't much, but it

means a lot to us. The AP-Ipsos poll of 1.001 adults was taken Aug. 16-18 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage

## Are you satisfied?

Some demographics and de tails about people who de-scribe themselves as "very satisfied" with their lives. Results come from polling conducted for the Associated Press by Ipsos-Public Affairs. The poll of 1,001 adults was taken Aug. 16-18 and has a margin of sam-pling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points, larger for subgroups

In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in your life at this time?

Very satisfied, 38 percent

■ Somewhat satisfied, 42

■ Somewhat dissatisfied, 11

■ Very dissatisfied, 8 per-

■ Not sure, 1 percent

From The Associated Press





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#### Six-figure penny

ME AUBURN — A trove of old coins, including a 1700s penny that's nearly the size of a half dollar and if authentic could be worth a fortune, have surfaced in a jewelry and coin shop.

The 1793 cent coin is known by the "strawberry leaf" name because of a trefoil sprig on its tail side. "It's like the Holy Grail of coins," said said Dan Cunliffe Sr. of Republic Jewelry and Collectibles.

Cunliffe said the coins are to be auctioned off shortly after Thanksgiving by American Numismatic Rarities of Wolfeboro, N.H. The auction will be part of the Baltimore Coin Convention.

"I expect [the strawberry leaf cent] will draw bids of six figures," Cunlife said.

#### WWII bullet still in knee

MO LEADINGTON — Ralph Heine figured his knee was shot. At age 86, he thought his balky joint was just a sign of old age.

Turns out he was carrying a souvenir from World War II for nearly six decades: a bullet to the knee.

During a recent medical exam of a problematic hip and knee, X-rays revealed a bullet that had eluded detection since Heine was shot by Nazi troops in early 1945.

Heine was serving with the 42nd Rainbow Division in the Alsace region of France. He recalled his story during a weekend event in the eastern Missouri town Leadington to honor prisoners of war and those missing in action.

"I got shot in the shoulder, and when I went down they shot me again in the leg. I thought that bullet only grazed me," he said.

"I didn't think it went in."

#### 205 mph speeding ticket

WABASHA — A motorcyclist racing at an estimated 205 mph may have won — the record for speeding in Minnesota. State Patrol pilot Al Loney was flying near Wabasha, in southeastern Minnesota on the Wisconsin state line, watching two motorcyclists racing along U.S. Highway 61 on Saturday.

One of the riders shot forward, and Loney clicked his stopwatch once when the motorcycle reached a white marker on the road and again a quarter-mile later. The watch read 4.39 seconds, which Loney calculated to be 205 mph.

"I was in total disbelief," Loney said. "I had to double-check my watch because in 27 years I'd never seen anything move that fast"

A second State Patrol officer arrested 20-year-old Samuel Armstrong Tilley for reckless driving, driving without a motorcycle license and driving 140 miles per hour over the posted speed limit of 65 mph.

## Year in jail for 'crack'

MILFORD — A man who mooned the judge will be spending an extra year in his prison jumpsuit.

Three months after dropping his pants in front of Superior Court



## AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Judge Patrick Carroll, Richard Brown was back in court Monday for a plea agreement on a robbery.

Brown's June 23 pants dropping cost him a year in prison. He got six months for contempt of court and an extra six months that the prosecutor added to the sentence offered in a plea deal for robbery.

Brown's bottomless outburst began when Carroll told him to say "yes, sir" when addressing the

"Sir? Kiss my [expletive], sir!" Brown shouted, dropping the pants of his two-piece prison jumpsuit as he turned to expose his rear end to the bench.

#### **Enrollment rising**

HARTFORD — The number of full-time students enrolled in state community colleges grew by nearly 10 percent this year, the third increase in as many years. Educators say students are proved transfer agreements with four-year colleges. The 12-campus system has enrolled nearly 16,000 full-time students and nearly 30,000 part-time students.

#### Biotech campaign

PROVIDENCE — Business leaders are raising money for a campaign in support of a pro-



Beyond the yard Sarah Kelley, 10, decorates a flamingo for an art fair at Park University in Parkville, Mo. The theme this year is Return of the Pink Flamingos.

## Warmer September

DES MOINES — Sepbe tember will apparently be warmer than August in Iowa this year. Weather experts says that has happened only one other time on record: in 1897. State climated oot summer means a cool September, but not this year. In 1897, Iowa had its coolest August on record and followed that with the second-warmest September.

#### Low-income housing hike

SD SIOUX FALLS — Rising lumber and metal costs have prompted state housing officials to increase the price of a Governor's House for those who qualify for the low-income housing program.

Beginning Oct. 18, residents will pay \$30,800, up from \$28,000, for the 960-square-foot homes, built by prison inmates at Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield.

#### GOP fund flap

OR SALEM—Oregon Republican chairman Kevin Mannix received thousands of dollars from the state GOP to retire some of the debt from his failed run for governor in 2002.

Mannix, who received \$37,000,

Mannix, who received x57,000, defended the payment. He told The Oregonian newspaper it's part of a new program to help Republican candidates who end up with campaign debt.

#### Pole dancing in dorm

JACKSONVILLE — Three students at Jacksonville University have been punished for installing a stripper pole in an on-campus apartment and taking pictures as clothed female students performed on it at a party.

About a dozen women competed for a \$100 Victoria's Secret gift certificate Sept. 11, said James Foster, a 20-year-old who hosted the party. None of the women disrobed

The men bought the steel pole, bolted it to the concrete ceiling and attached the bottom to a plywood stage covered in red felt.

"Honestly, we just wanted to say we had a stripper pole," Foster said. "We never actually expected girls to dance on it."

When university officials ordered the men to remove the pole, they complied, but not before building a huge party around it.

Signs reading "Pole Dancers Wanted" were posted around campus and the men bought large quantities of beer. Friends were enlisted friends to check identifications and manage security. They charged \$\$ for men, and women were let in free.

The party ended shortly after the beer ran out.



Lighthouse man Cars driving along Shawnee Mission Parkway in Fairway, Kan., will have a guiding light when stump sculptor Floyd Tinsley of Merriam, Kan., finishes the lighthouse sculpture he was carving out of the stump of an oak.



Wicked drive-by

A wicked witch makes her presence known, sitting on a car outside The

Yellow Brick Road Gift Shop in Chesterton. Ind.



Enjoying the view

A group of egrets perch on a branch in a retention pond along Gladiola Avenue in Holly Hill, Fla.



Just hanging on ce on the rope ladder at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson, Kan.

Jordan Leshore, 14, from Elbing Kan., tries to hang on as he loses his



Taking a stroll

A white horse provides contrast to a tree turning with autumn colors near Fort Clark in Mercer County, N.D.



The Patchmaster

Remy Schulz, 10 months, makes a gallant effort to move a pumpkin that is much larger than him at Hoxsie's Orchard Farm in Williamsburg, Mich.

### Town money missing

NH ACWORTH — At first. town government officials found about \$6,800 missing from the clerk's office.

Now it's more like \$224 550

Last week, Acworth selectmen wrote to the town government's insurance company, the Local Government Center Property-Liability Trust of Concord, filing a claim for reimbursement of the stolen money

"The information provided to us indicates a trend of missing funds going back to 1986," selectmen wrote in their insurance claim. "The town clerk was first elected in 1977 and it is likely that the theft started out with smaller amounts prior to 1987

Brenda G. Longley, the town clerk for 27 years and the only employee in the clerk's office, resigned Aug. 16 after a discussion with Mason and Rich, an accounting firm in Concord. In her resignation letter, Longley said, "I really have no idea what happened.

### Smoking crackdown

CA SAN FRANCISCO — A new law proposed this week would snuff out smoking in one of the last places in San Francisco where people can light up the great outdoors

The law would ban "inhaling, exhaling, burning or carrying any lighted smoking equipment for tobacco or any other weed or plant" in all outdoor recreation areas regulated by the city, including parks. gardens, piers and playing fields. Violators would be slapped with a \$250 fine - though it's not clear who would enforce the law.

"It's just disgusting - our parks are covered with cigarette butts, Supervisor Michela Alioto-Pier told her colleagues in introducing the legislation at their weekly meet

#### Shark caught in river

LA SIMMESPORT — Call it the catch of the day — or a

Seafood merchant Richard Durrett was fishing Tuesday morning on the Red River near his busi ness, Simmesport Fish Co., when his catfish net dredged up a 6-foot. 135-pound bull shark.

"I've been fishing since I was 10 vears old, and I've caught some strange fish, but nothing like this, the 35-year-old said Wednesday. "Things happen, but I wasn't ready for this

Finding a shark in the Red River is unusual, Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries biologist Ricky Moses said Wednesday, but it has happened before. Moses, who specializes in inland and freshwater fish, said the LWF office in Opelousas has been asked to examine the shark. Bull sharks have been known to swim into fresh water areas, he said.

Durrett said he has caught much smaller sharks - about 30 pounds and 2 inches long - in the past near the Morgan City area.

#### Popular drive-in closes

CA SALINAS — Business was so good at Roy's Drive-in that the landmark eatery ran out of food before it was time to shut

down its griddles for good.

The crowd Tuesday night came for a last slice of nostalgia as the popular gathering spot for classic car enthusiasts served its final hamburgers after 50 years.

"It's really sad," said customer Georgia Sapiens, who waited near-ly two hours for burger and fries. It's sad that it came to this. Everybody is going to miss it."

Roger Patterson, who's worked at Roy's since 1964 and owned it since 1977, said he decided to close because he couldn't afford to fight a lawsuit by a disabled man who claims the drive-in does not provide adequate access for customers in wheelchairs.

### Criminals change minds

WI SOUTH MILWAUKEE -A 3-year-old girl may have saved lives when she and her father walked into a jewelry store while an armed robbery was in progress.

"I think it's a good thing and a bad thing she came in," store em-ployee Beth Barkow said. "You don't want a little girl to experience this, but if she hadn't come in, I don't know if we'd be alive."

Barkow was one of six people tied up in the back of the store during the Sept. 3 attempted heist by two robbers and an accomplice who acted as lookout.

Barkow said she was in a back room when the robbery began. She and two other employees were forced to lie on their stomachs. their hands bound with duct tape. Customers who entered the store were taken to the back room and tied up.

The robbers, meanwhile, went through cases of jewelry and threatened to shoot their captives. After about half an hour, the girl and her father came in The man

was tied up while the girl sat beside her father. The father said he was bound for about a minute before one robber said, "Come on, man. Not any kids.

The suspects fled, and still were being sought.

### 'Redskins' ruling

We can't do this

CA SACRAMENTO — Citing a desire to maintain local control. Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has vetoed legislation that would have banned public schools from using "Redskins" as a team or mascot name.

In his veto message, the governor said local school boards should retain "general control over all aspects of their interscholastic poli-cies," including team names and mascots

"Adding another nonacademic state administrative requirement for schools to comply with takes more focus away from getting kids to learn at the highest level," Schwarzenegger said.

The measure's author, Assemblywoman Jackie Goldberg, said she was disappointed with the govcalled his veto message "silly." "If local control is what you

count on to decide civil rights issues, we'd still have slavery in America," the former school board member and teacher said in an interview.

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Left: A bucket on a crane lifts debris, including planking, from the site of an old shipwreck along the channel that leads from Lynnhaven Inlet in Virginia Beach, Va., to the Chesapeake Bay on Thursday. Above: Keith Lockwood, an environmen tal scientist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineeers, rolls over a piece of keel, keelson and frame from the debris.

## **Unearthing an underwater mystery**

BY JASON SKOG The Virginian-Pilot

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. - The big crane scooped out a soggy helping of muck from the bottom of Lynnhaven Inlet, then dumped it onto a barge

It looked like a typical dredging operation Wednesday morning, but the goal was to raise the remains of a mysterious shipwreck, perhaps 250 years old.

By Thursday morning, gunky debris took up one-third of the 100-foot barge. The mystery was slowly revealing itself.

Keith B. Lockwood scrambled over the piles, happily pulling out artifacts. "Now we're looking down on top of it," he said, grinning after flipping over a 150-pound sec-tion of the keel. "That's pretty cool."

Lockwood is an environmental scientist with the Army Corps of Engineers, which is leading the recovery mission.

The operation is as much about creating a safe passage through Lynnhaven Inlet as it is about uncovering the past. Last year. Hurricane Isabel exposed the wreck, putting it in the path of passing boats. Once the wreck is removed, the corps will straighten the channel

The shipwreck is on the western edge of Lynnhaven Inlet, roughly 2,300 feet north of the Lesner Bridge. The channel makes a sharp turn to avoid it, creating sandy shoals and a hazard for boats

The abandoned wreck belongs to the commonwealth. The Virginia Department of Historic Resources agreed in May to let the corps remove it.

Crofton Construction Services of Portsmouth is doing the digging. Two barges work side by side to dredge an area. 100 feet by 100 feet, where most of the shipwreck re-

Over the past few days, material was hoisted to the barge's deck, and the remains will be shipped to Craney Island in Portsmouth for cleaning and closer examination.

Because the wreck already is in small pieces, the operation is more concerned with recovery and discovery than preservation. It is

basically a forensic exploration, akin to an episode of "CSI" on water David Whall is one of the lead detectives on the case. As a marine archaeologist with

Tidewater Atlantic Research Inc. of Wash ington, N.C., he dived on the wreck last summer and helped map it. On Thursday, he spotted pieces he remem-

bered seeing on the inlet's floor, "It's easier to see the details when it's on the surface," he said. "But it's not together anymore, so it's a jigsaw puzzle.

The crane released another load

"There's a section of the keel," Whall said. "So he's all the way to the bottom.

Whall hopped down with a roll of bright, orange plastic ribbon and tied it around a timber. Later, he grabbed a hunk of wood he had spotted 15 feet away and dragged one piece to the other.

"The puzzle sort of fits together," he said, lifting the smaller piece and dropping it into a notch in the larger one. "Like that."

If enough pieces fit together, the corps hopes to determine the name, age and origin of the vessel, how it was used and how it

For now, they suspect the ship was either a sloop or schooner built in the late 1700s or early 1800s. It might have been a merchant ship, sailing goods along the coast, or a lightship that guided mariners. Perhaps it was a casualty of the War of 1812 - a Navy gunboat or an armed privateer licensed to raid British vessels.

Last summer divers snotted parts of the hull and keel, a cast iron cannon shot, a shoe heel fastened with wooden pegs, a pewter spoon bowl, three wooden casks and parts of a lead bilge strainer.

On Thursday, four more lead bilge strainers were pulled up, along with a cannonball, bits of a wooden barrel and a bucket, a wheel to a pulley system, possibly used in sail rigging, and "bar shot" — two cannonballs linked by an iron bar designed to tear down enemy sails and lines.

None of it helped Whall learn anything for

"We're getting a lot of info, and we may be able to narrow things down," he said. "It may open some other doors, too,"

Strategic pieces of wood will be marked and sent to a lab.

There, scientists might compare samples to known species of wood or put slices under a microscope.

Only part of the lower hull remains, and it rests in an area 35 feet long and 9 feet wide. The biggest pieces raised are less than 5 feet long

Lockwood said he expects to be over the wreck site through Saturday, but that depends on what they find. "We'll keep going and going until we don't hit anything," he

## Archivist finds lost episode of 'The Honeymooners'

The Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. 's news that would make Jackie Gleason shout out his trademark "And away we go!"

A new "lost" episode of the classic 1950s TV comedy "The Honeymooners" has been uncovered in the Peabody Awards archive at the University of George

The episode, titled "Love Letter," originally aired on Oct. 16, 1954, on "The Jackie Gleason Show," said Ruta Abolins, di-rector of the Peabody Awards Collection and Media Archives at UGA

"It does not exist in another archive and

is a unique 'lost' episode in 'The Honey-mooners' history," Abolins said in a statement Thursday

Gleason starred as Ralph Kramden, a blustery New York City bus driver. Audrey Meadows played his sharp-tongued wife, Alice. Art Carney was his goofy neighbor, Ed Norton, a sewer worker, and Joyce Randolph played Ed's wife, Trixie.

Archivist Margaret Compton discovered the "Love Letter" episode during a preservation review of the archives' kinescopes and videotapes.

She said plans are being made by Glea son Enterprises to release the never-rebroadcast episode on home video.

on Oct. 5, 1951, during Gleason's first variety series, "Cavalcade of Stars," broadcast live on the DuMont Television Network. From 1952 to 1955, "The Jackie Gleason

Show" ran on CBS where the live sketches grew from 10 minutes to 30 minutes in length

"The Honeymooners" also ran as a CBS sitcom in the 1955-56 season, and "The Jackie Gleason Show" returned as a variety program in the 1956-57 season. A re-performance of "Love Letter" aired during Gleason's 1956-57 series, but

the Peabody Awards archive holds the only known copy of the original sketch from the earlier variety show

The episode deals with Kramden's discovery of a love letter that he mistakenly believes is meant for his wife. Some 70-odd "lost" episodes of "The Honeymooners" emerged from Gleason's

vault in the 1980s.

The Peabody Awards, considered among the most prestigious and selective prizes in electronic media, recognize excellence and meritorious work by radio and TV stations, networks, webcasters, producing organizations and individuals. Gleason won an individual Peabody in

The Awards Archive holds more than 40,000 titles, including radio programs dating from 1940 and television from 1948.

## **Sunday Horoscope**

Joyce Jillson

today's transit into Libra's lovely homeland. Mars will reside in Libra until Nov. 11. Libra is about partner. ship, and Mars will put real energy behind any team effort.

## TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Septem-

ber 26). Visualizing a beautiful future will be key to obtaining it. Spend time nurturing your imagination this year through reading. travel and saying "yes" to new experiences. Ultimately, you'll have a lot of fun and find love and money on your way. Nothing goes as planned in December but it turns out brilliantly. Capricorn and Aries love is passionate

Your lucky numbers are: 20, 45, 1, 22 and 26

## ARIES (March 21-April 19).

This harmonious, energetic and creative day features lively but lighthearted conversation. Your underrated talents come to the fore. Watch out tonight, though. Seeking instant gratification can sabotage long-term goals.

#### TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

People want to suck you into their dramas, but who needs the aggravation? Let weird comments roll off your back like water from a duck When you're the bighearted one others surprise you by rising to the standard vou've set.

#### GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Make contacts, and cement allianc-

Finishing what you've started is challenging, but your reward will be swift on completion. Someone new could declare romantic interest, but this love affair would come with a lot

#### CANCER (June 22-July 22). Artistic happenings bring you togeth er with interesting new friends and future business partners. Special

requests are made of you, but don't feel obligated. Organize your closet, and it will help you organize your

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Use creative vibes to pep up your domes tic environment. Friends might have a lackluster idea of fun - it rests on you to get the party started. Tonight is right for making a move on your

#### secret crush. A Scorpio is featured VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

You'll learn much from reading and listening to charismatic speakers. But it's what you'll actually apply to your life on a daily basis that makes

a difference. Singles get swept up by bigger-than-life personalities

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Guard your private time carefully. Don't begin anything you don't have the energy to keep up. On the other hand, people who

match your personality. tone, intelligence and sense of humor will give you plenty of energy. SCORPIO (Oct.

24-Nov. 21). Go through your address and phone book to re-establish contact with terrific people. Friends help you circulate your best work and ideas. The stars stir up passionate feelings tonight.

## Lucky arrangements include a SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This day promises nary a dull

Sagittarius

The unexpected keeps you on tippy toes, ready to leap, lunge and duck. You come out of the process wanting something different than you once wanted.

#### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There's so much going on in your world that it's impossible to

keep track without writing it down Preoccupation could strain your relationships, so when you're with family, really be there

#### AOUARIUS (Ian. 20-Feb. 18). People respond to your enthusiasm and want to be convinced of your point of view. Action and success go

Hesitation and failure do, too. Save time and energy by giving someone else more responsibility

#### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your choices affect people far from you, but it's smart to consider what's best for you and your loved ones first. Return all favors. Being indebted to others comes with a higher cost than you think

## 'Busted': Really old slang

the word "busted." I see it used in TV, plays, radio, newspapers, and books: Someone is arrested by the police and the terminology used is "the person was busted" or "there was a drug bust." I would like to know the origin of this term.

The verb "bust," meaning "to ar-rest," and the noun "bust," mean-ing "a police raid," both originated in American slang over 50 years ago.

Their exact origins are not entirely clear, but we can make an educated guess about them by tracing the evolution of the older senses of "bust."

"Bust" has had many meanings One of its earliest attested senses (dating back to 1860) is "to break eral use soon developed such figurative senses as "to bring an end to; break up" ("trust-busting"), "to tame" ("bronco-busting") and "to demote." All of these senses retain some suggestion of breaking something apart or down.

The sense "to arrest" may well

have come directly from the "de-mote" sense, which was standard in military use around the turn of the 20th century. The shared meaning is one of bringing someone down a notch, especially as a form of punishment. The noun "bust" meaning "a police raid" is apparently derived from the verb.

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## Showing of inappropriate picture is cause for alarm

Dear Abby: I was recently at

a youth sporting event. Later that evening, one of the coaches and several of the parents were sitting around th hotel pool talking. Some joking sexual comments were made. The coach told one of the other fathers

that he had a picture of himself as a youth He pulled it out of his wallet, and it was passed around the group. It was a picture of a 7- to 10-year-old boy, com-

pletely naked, that had heen "altered" to exaggerate the size of the boy's you-know-what. Not a single parent voiced any objection to this picture. The coach later handed the picture to me (after one of the other parents laughingly told him he should show it to me). When I expressed disgust

("I really don't appreciate you

showing this picture ..."), the coach made me out to be the bad Do you think this picture is appropriate for a coach of adolescent boys to carry in his wallet and show to others? It struck me as child porn.

- Amazed and Disgusted Dad in Michigan Dear Amazed and Disgusted The incident should be reported to the league authorities. For the

coach to have shown the picture was a juvenile display of bad taste and poor judgment. For that reason, I am not sure he is responsible enough to be super-vising young boys.

Dear Abby: I have Dear Abby known "Edgar" for four years. At first, he'd see me twice a week, but only for sex. He stood me up a lot and was secretive about his life. I grew tired of it and started seeing other men. When Edgar found

out, we had a big fight and broke up. A week later, Edgar was back, begging to start over.

He promised to change and even moved in with me for three months. Then he reverted back to his old ways. I was helping him to pay his bills because I earned more than he did. When I lost my job and could no longer help him, he pulled away from

I now have another well-paying job. Edgar is back once of twice a week, but on weekends he's gone again. He claims his 16-year-old son is visiting and his ey doesn't want me around. Vet he accuses me of cheating, which is not true. I let Edgar know where I am at all times. I just want to be happy and have a real

relationship. Please tell me what

— In Love and Alone Dear in Love and Alone: A man who had sincere feelings for you would not have disappeared the minute you were out of a job. It appears that Edgar will stay only if you pay.

There's a word for it, and the word isn't "love." If you want a real relationship, you will lose this loser. It shouldn't be difficult. Tell Edgar you've been laid off, and I guarantee he'll vanish.

Dear Abby: Can you please tell me what "cemetery eti-quette" is? — Pearl in Manteca Calif

Dear Pearl: It is behaving with respect for the people who are buried there, and being sensitive to the feelings of visitors who might be mourning. It includes: speaking quietly, dressing conservatively, and refraining from littering, stepping on the graves or blocking cars in the funeral procession on their way to the grave site (or cutting in front of them). It also means the car stereo isn't blasting so loudly it will distract other visitors or wake the dead.

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## Grandma wants to know sex of baby before parents learn

Dear Annie: My husband and I are expecting our first child. I am starting my second trimester, and we have decided to wait until the baby is born to

learn if it's a boy or a girl.

My mother wrote to me the other day, asking if my doctor could e-mail her with the information about the baby's sex after we have our ultrasound. She says this

will help her relate to her grandchild and make it easier to shor before the birth.

My husband and I think this is an odd request. Why on earth would we allow someone else in our family to know the baby's gender before we find out ourselves? I politely told my mother that we will all find out together, the old-fash-

Am I wrong to feel annoved over Mom's request? - Still Waiting in Kansas

Dear Kansas: Try not to make too much out of this. Your mother is eager and curious, and she wants to pick out clothes. Since you have elected not to know the baby's sex in advance, however, your mother should respect your wish to be surprised and stop asking for more information than she is entitled to. Tell

her she'll just have to wait, like

everyone else.

Dear Annie: Eating dinner together as a family is a simple event, but it can make a world of difference for children and teens. The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University has consistently found that the more often children eat dinner with their

families, the less likely Annie's Mailbox they are to smoke, drink or use illegal drugs. Created in 2001 as a

direct result of CASA's research, "Family Day — A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children" is a national effort to pro mote parental engagement in children's lives as a simple, effective tool to help reduce substance abuse among children and teens and raise

healthier children. Family Day is celebrated on the fourth Monday each September. This year, it is Sept. 27

As difficult as it sometimes may be, making time for family dinners is worth the effort. Sincerely, - Joseph A. Califano, Chairman and President. The National Center on Addiction and Substance

Abuse at Columbia University Dear Joseph Califano: We are pleased, once again, to mention Family Day and encourage our readers to eat dinner together tomorrow night, Monday, Sept. 27. It doesn't have to be fancy.

Get the whole family involved in the planning and preparation. Sit er (no TV), and share your day. Serve a special dessert to make it memorable. For more suggestions, check out www.CASAFami lyDay.org. Bon appetit!

Dear Annie: My good friend and I have daughters who are the same age (9) and are in school together. The trouble is, my daugh-"Amy," doesn't like "Cora, and does not want to spend time with her. It is especially awkward when Amy's birthday comes around and she doesn't want to invite Cora to her party.

So far, I have b en forcing Amy to invite Cora but she is not happy about it. - British Columbia

Dear B.C.: You have an opportunity to teach compassion to Amy. Keep encouraging her to include Cora at her parties, although the two of them do not otherwise have to socialize. Explain to Amy that, as she gets older, she and Cora will naturally go their separate ways, but it is unkind and hurtful at this time to exclude the girl from major social events.

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## Preparing estate will help family grieve

Susie Besaw, from the book "The Savvy Sailor's Spouse," is new to the military lifestyle but is eager to learn more about how to manage her family and her new lifestyle through the monthly Family Readiness Group meetings of her husband. Jake's, new command. Last week. Jake talked about life insur-

he April Family Readiness Group meeting was packed. A representative from base legal was coming to talk about military benefits - specifically our death benefits

Evelyn opened the meeting on time, as usual, and introduced our guest speaker from base legal, Cmdr. Edward Brown. The commander was a short fellow with a mustache and steely eyes. You could tell he was one of those guys you always wanted on your side of the negotiating table.

Cmdr. Brown started, "Good evening, evervone. Tonight we are going to talk about something we all try to avoid - estate planning - or the process of organizing all of your personal responsibilities, belongings and paperwork before you die - so your survivors don't have to

"Why is estate planning important?"

"To minimize the stress on our loved a lady in the front asked

"Yes," he replied. "You can't totally prepare anyone for the emotional stress from your loss, but you can do a tremendous amount to minimize the administrative stress - especially for your estate's executor. For women, the term is executrix." "What administrative stress?" Maggie

asked. "Somebody has to continue Money U.

paying the bills and transfer the deceased person's belongings to their survivors. That person is called an executor or an executrix," Cmdr. Brown explained. "What many of us don't realize is the amount of effort required by our executors to move our belongings through a process called probate, as well as the effort to do all the paperwork to claim our government benefits." "Isn't probate the administra-

tion of our estate?" the lady in

the front asked. "Exactly," Mr. Hardy replied, "Probate is the government's way of making sure ev-

erything in our estate goes to where it is supposed to go according to the law. Otherwise, we have no guarantee that our last wishes will be kept after we die.

"The government says all property not transferred by contract or operation of law must be transferred by the probate pro-

"If you don't have a will, the probate process makes sure your immediate family is taken care of first. But unfortunately, sometimes the process takes months, and pro

bate can be a tremendous burden to your family. You need to take the steps to be prepared for the inevitable.

"First, always have a will. It will make life much easier on your loved ones who survive you. "What else can we do now to

help our executor?" a petty officer in the crowd asked. "Good question," Cmdr. Brown replied. "Besides having a will, you

can do several things. "You can build your personal and property-record hinders These binders organize all of your

paperwork in one place for your executor. Otherwise, your executor is going to have to track down everything you own and the paperwork that goes with it. Take it from someone who had to sort through an unorganized relative's stuff after they died. It

can be a real hassle."

"Can you give us an example?" I asked. "Of course," the commander replied. When my uncle died. I was asked to be his executor. I had to go to the county courthouse where he lived to register his will. The judge appointed me executor and I was told to compile a list of everything my uncle owned and owed.

"I spent the next year trying to sort things out, paying bills, and finding family and his friends. If my uncle had made the personal property and paperwork binders I recommend you build, my executor job would have been much easier.

"My uncle may not have had binders, but he did have estate paperwork

Next week, Cmdr. Brown talks about es-

## Companies expand services for working moms

## Employers now offer its workers everything from yoga to eldercare

BY MADLEN READ The Associated Press

Returning to work after giving birth is tough. Running a half-marathon on

top of that is tougher. But Kirstie Foster did it with the help of her employer, General Mills Inc., which provides onsite childcare and health facilities at the company's Minneapolis headquarters. After dropping off her daughter at daycare every morning. Foster met with a food behaviorist, a nutritionist and a personal trainer. Six months later, she

crossed the finish line.

"After have a baby, you tend to focus on everything but vourself.' said Foster, a corporate public relamanager and runner who has managed to add family life to the mix. "It's difficult to find the time of day to work out and plan meals." General Mills

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Source: Working Mother magazine

is among a host of companies that have expanded services for working mothers bevond just maternity leave and flexible hours, according to Work-

ing Mother magazine, which re-

leased its 19th annual list Tuesday of the 100 best companies for working mothers.

The business rationale behind these efforts? Cheaner and more convenient health care and fitness programs mean employees are more likely to take advantage of them. And happier, healthier employees typically translates into boosted productivity, less absenteeism and fewer health care and disability expenses for the company years down the road, according to Working Mother Media CEO Carol Evans

It also helps mothers maintain a better balance

hetween work Thinking of moms and family life, The top 10 companies - in she said

Foster, a General Mills manager. agrees "It's not only a savings. cost More importantly, it's a time savings," she said. "When I home at night, I can go spend time with

and daughter."

The general

husband

trend among employers nationwide has been toward increased work flexibility options and eldercare benefits in the past few years, while childcare benefits have remained at



Kirstie Foster, a corporate public relations manager with General Mills Inc., comforts her 10-month-old daughter Mia as she visits her at the childcare facilities in the company's headquarters in Golden Valley, Minn., last week.

about the same level, said Ellen Galinsky, president of the nonprofit Families and Work Institute in New York, which was not involved with the study

Where companies in the booming late '90s offered more "bells-and-whistles" benefits. today companies are sticking more to fundamentals, Galinsky said - for example, new ways to offer flexible hours, such as part-year work.

"Things like that are the new frontier." Galinsky said Another trend evident at many

of the magazine's choices is a growing understanding that working mothers are daughters, too.

Companies increasingly are offering such services as depen dent-care centers for aging parents and elder health care and re-

As the baby boomer generation ages and the average lifespan in-creases, eldercare has become a new focus for IBM Corp., which has appeared in Working Mother's top 100 since the list's incen-

While the company has offered eldercare and referral services since 1988, the need for such services has tripled from 9 percent of IBM employees to 27 percent, according to Maria Ferris, manager of work/life and women's initiatives at IBM.

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## YOUR MONEY

## **Services:** Workers find success with benefits

#### **SERVICES, FROM PAGE 20**

New offerings at the world's biggest seller of computers and related services include care planning and monitoring, phone check-in service, an elder facility review program and online discussion groups.

"We've found [having a dependent parent] can be very isolat-ing," Ferris said.

"It's not a very happy topic. Around the watercooler, every-one wants to talk about babies. No one wants to talk about a sick parent.

All but one of the 100 companies on the list provide eldercare referral services, com-pared with 21 percent of compa-nies nationwide. And 28 percent offer emergency or backup emergency eldercare, compared with 2 percent nation-

To remain competitive in attracting quality employees, companies also need to keep up with the times - an effort that can range from offering such trendy luxuries as massages and yoga classes to readying for wartime setbacks and natural disasters.

J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., in response to the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, created a patriotic leave program for employees called into active duty, said Christine Fossaceca, the company's global work/life solutions

Hundreds of companies compete for a place on the Working Mother list each year. New York-based Working Mother Media, which is privately held, would not give specifics on ad-vertising support for the issue but said the number of ads was nearly double the monthly aver-

Working Mother focused heavily on childcare options this year, as well as flexible scheduling and time off for new parents New to the 2004 list were Vir-

ginia Commonwealth University Health System, UBS AG, Tri-Health and Timberland Co.

Several names in last year's top 100 did not appear on the latest list, including Eastman Kodak Co., Liz Claiborne Inc. and Sallie Mae.

## Family shares couple's debt

O: My parents have both been told they have cancer. When their medical bills started mounting, they put all their adult children's names on their property deed in an effort to prevent creditors from taking their home.

Unfortunately, now my husband and I are filing for Chapter 7 bankruptcy. We have no equity in our home, no savings and a re-tirement account that was drained to pay education costs for our four children.

What's more, my husband has taken a 27 percent pay cut at work and our expenses exceed our income by at least \$1,000 a month, which doesn't include the payments we're supposed to be making on our credit cards.

We've been turned down for credit counseling and don't see an alternative to bankruptcy, but our attorney has told us that the bankruptcy trustee can force the sale of my parents' property.

I am frantic. My great-grandfather owned that property, and it's where my father was born. My oldest daughter, an attorney, found two cases that seem to show that a trustee could opt not

to sell such an asset, but our attornev hasn't responded to my e-mails about these exceptions. This is truly a nightmare. Is there any way out?

A: This is yet another reason parents should think twice, and then three or four times more, before adding children's names to a real estate deed. Such an action typically fails to protect the property from the parents' creditors and can make it vulnerable to the creditors of the children.

You can't even get out

of this situation by getting off the deed, said Los Angeles bankruptcy lawyer

If you made this transfer within one year of filing, the trustee, or even one of your creditors, could ask the bankruptcy judge to block your ability to discharge your debts. In other words, you couldn't get them erased in U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

Even if you waited longer after the transfer, Bovitz said, you could face problems. If the Bankruntcy Court decided that the transfer was meant to defraud your creditors, they could come after you for the value of the prop-

It's true that the trustee might decide that your partial interest isn't worth enough to bother selling it, as the cases your daughter found seem to show but the trustee also could decide to seize and sell the whole property under certain circumstances.

The trustee's decision ultimately will be based on the financial issues involved, not pity for your parents

Money Talk

Your attorney should be the one explaining all this to you and reviewing your options. If you can't get his or her attention, consider hiring someone else or seeking help from your local legal aid society.

It may well be that the best course is not to proceed with your bankrupt-

This means you could continue to be harassed by creditors for debts you can't pay, but it could help protect your parents' property.

Besides, filing for bankruptcy won't solve your cash flow problem, because even without debt payments you're spending more than you earn.

You need to look hard at all your options, including selling your house and finding something cheaper, taking on a second job (or going back to work if you're not employed); and perhaps even asking your children for financial help if they are able.

No, it's not the life you envisioned for yourself as you near retirement. But it's the life you have, and the sooner you take action, the better.

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## Keeping luggage safe

CBS MarketWatch

NEW YORK - The Transportation Security Administration, which is responsible for protecting the country's transportation systems, is toughening up. This week it put into effect new procedures for airport security, increasing the frequency of pat-down searches and requiring that passengers remove coats, jackets and other outerwear for screenings.

With more hoops to jump through, travelers may find it harder to keep track of their belongings, according to Susan Foster, author of the new book "Smart Packing for Today's Traveler

To prevent the loss or theft of your carry-on items, Foster recommends the following:

Pare down what you pack. Anything fragile, expensive, absolutely necessary or irreplaceable should go in your carry-on instead of in your checked luggage, but Foster advises that you avoid traveling with expensive items.

■ Limit the number of carry-on bags.

Check that you have the

same number of bags every time you stop, whether at the ticket counter, at the security check-point or in line.



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Army's 'redheaded stepchild'

I'm a deployed reservist who has finally realized that the reserves are just the footstool of the Army.

Time and time again we are told we are on active duty so we need to act like active-duty soldiers but, by far, we do not receive the same entitlements that the active-duty or National Guard soldiers receive.

One example would be that the active Army and Army National Guard are both eligible to receive promotion points for Army e-learning courses they have taken, but the Army Reserve soldiers are found not to be eligible.

I am quite aware of the old saying that the reserves are just weekend soldiers and are not real soldiers. So I guess that saying would imply much more than is really said since a reservist is good enough to be deployed for the same amount of time a regular Army or National Guardsman is, but not good enough to receive the same benefits when it comes to wanting to further his or her career.

As for reservists who are deployed and wish to be promoted, but don't have the needed points, it would seem we don't fall in the area of highest importance to the Army.

So, to all of my fellow reservists, I say, stay the course, brothers and sisters, but don't expect much being the redheaded stepchild of the Army.

> Sgt. Angelo Hill Camp Virginia, Kuwait

### Gravevard article biased

I found the article "Chaplain finds mission in restoring cemetery" (Sept. 15) by Stripes reporter Seth Robson biased and inaccurate.

The article describes how the English, in 1941, heroically battled Iraqi insurgents who, at the time, were Nazi sympathizers.

The author portrays the Iraqis as the aggressors who killed more than 289 British servicemen and fellow Iraqi Christians. The author explains how their graveyard, which contained 289 bodies,

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Before World War II began, Iraq declared its neutrality. In 1941, London intervened militarily to overthrow the nationalist government of Rashid Ali Gilani, Iraqi's self-established government. They did this so that the Germans didn't gain a foothold in the Middle East.

The overall mission was to defeat the Nazis, but this happened at the cost of the Iraqi elected government and the undermining of democracy in the region, also planting the Iraqi hatred of the West

The statement about the battle for Camp Habbaniyah, and how, if the English had lost, the battle would have changed the tilt of the war in favor of the Nazis is partially false. The English, being a colonial power, had already established routes of resupplying the Russians other than through Irag; and for Irag's oil, the English already had the largest oil refinery (Anglo Saxon Oil Co., APOC) in Iran. English ships had easy access to Russia through both water and land.

Iran is an isolated place when it comes to British citizens traveling and living there, so it would have been unreasonable for the English government to maintain the graveyard. The restoration of the church, which sits near the graveyard, is

#### appropriate and welcome, but the bad portrayal of the Iraqis is wrong. During WWII, what care did we give toward

dead Nazi soldiers? Pvt. 1st Class Seifian Sawber Logistical Support Area Anaconda, Iraa

#### **USAREUR** should nix Peters

I just looked at the article "Germany pulls out of military expo over retired Army officer's column" (Sept. 23).

It is very sad that the Land Combat Expo. which is an excellent show, is used as a political platform.

U.S. Army Europe should cancel Ralph Peters' presentation. It is obvious that Peters does not know all the facts. and he is actually not interested in "presenting the whole picture."

If the German-American friendship is not that big, why have German soldiers been guarding U.S. installations since the very first moment troops were pulled out of Germany to go to Southwest Asia?

Raymond Zawalski Mannheim, Germany

### Give Dan a break

Give Dan Rather a break regarding the story on President Bush's service, which is questionable at best.

The president led the country to a war in which far too many of our sons, daughters and loved ones have died. So if the president loses a vote or two based on inaccurate information reported by Rather, it still doesn't equate to the irreparable damage caused by the president's information.

As a human being, I understand mistakes happen, but I cannot grasp why the president gets to pass the buck while poor Dan gets forced into retirement. That's about as unfair as Al Gore getting duped out of an election or soldiers who get their career ended for war trophies while the commander in chief gets to flaunt them

Either slam every offender or give all a second chance, but don't use position or rank to hide the truth.

> DeAndre Wade Camp Arifjan, Kuwait



















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## OPINION

## What newspapers are saying at home

The following editorial excerpts are selected from a cross section of newspapers throughout the United States. The editorials are provided by The Associated Press and other stateside syndicates

#### Too quiet after Columbine The Denver Post

From the beginning, the Columbine murders have posed many unanswered questions. A new state grand jury report on the mysterious disappearance of files about teen killer Eric Harris provides a bit of new information, but mysteries remain.

The grand jury's report, released Sept.

16, couldn't answer how the documents dis-

appeared and who was responsible.

But the report reinforces suspicions that after the April 20, 1999, Columbine High School killings, Jefferson County Sheriff John Stone's office tried to hush up an earlier investigation of Harris to avoid any criticism or liability if there were indications that it missed a chance to avert the tragedy, in which 12 students and a teacher died.

The grand jury said some things about the missing documents were "troubling," but there wasn't sufficient evidence to indict anyone for a crime. ...

So, the grand jury probe of the Guerra affidavit could offer no concrete proof about who's responsible for the disappearance of the records.

And another Columbine question goes unanswered, leaving the families of victims and the public with only a morsel of new information and the same old gnawing suspicions.

#### Annan's words went too far Chicago Tribune

Diplomats are renowned for carefully choosing their words so as not to leave the wrong impression or unnecessarily ruffle

That's particularly true at the United Nations, where diplomats from all over the world practice the gossamer art of persuasion and manipulation through the muffled

worm practice the general real personal sion and manipulation through the muffled But U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan abandoned the pretense of diplomacy [earlier this month] by firing off a very undiplomatic word to describe the Bush administration's decision to free Iraq: "illegal." Goaled by a [British Broadcasting Corp.] Goaled by a [British Broadcasting Corp.] our point of view, from the U.N. chorter point of view, from the U.N. chorter

Undoubtedly, legal scholars could get lathered up about what the U.N. charter says and how exactly to define the term "illegal." But that's not really the point here. Illegal is a loaded word. It implies criminal-

ity....
Had the United States not acted in Iraq,
the U.N.'s threat of "serious consequences" if Saddam Hussein didn't disarm
would have amounted to what almost all
U.N. threats amount to — nothing.

#### 10 days late and a dollar short Delaware County (Pa.) Daily Times

So [on Sept. 20], 12 days after CBS News broadcast a report that claimed the president of the United States had shirked his duty in the Texas Air National Guard 35 years ago and offered up the documents that supposedly proved it, the network admitted it could no longer vouch for their authenticity.

CBS anchor Dan Rather, after spending almost two weeks defending the report that aired on "60 Minutes II," has now issued a statement that he "no longer has confidence in these documents" and that "if I knew then what I know now —I would not have gone ahead with the story as it was aired."

Yes, well, Dan Rather is about 10 days too late in owning up to what is the latest in a series of black eyes for the journalism profession...



Considering that the authenticity of the

documents was challenged within hours of

the original broadcast and with good rea-

son, the responsible thing for CBS to do

was to announce that it was reviewing the

Why the newsgatherers at CBS responsi

ble for this story acted in such a rash and self-destructive way is best left to another investigation. But they have certainly given plenty of ammunition to conserva-

tive critics who claim that they let their

"liberal bias" and desire to air a story injurious to a Republican president during an election year cloud their judgment.

When lock owners unloaded

San Francisco Chronicle

steel, but apparently it's no mightier than a

pen when it comes to protecting bicycles.

national furor recently when he announced that a few versions of the famed

U-shaped Kryptonite locks could be picked

by using a simple pen. He came upon his

discovery after his very expensive bike was stolen and a friend mentioned that the

tubular cylinders in some of the bike locks

could be opened with the flick (and a few

His Internet warning has been visited by more than 300,000 concerned cyclists from

here to Metropolis, who are spinning over

the news. The Massachusetts bike-lockmaker has been in full damage control

mode [for more than a] week; it [recently]

announced free upgrades and rebates to

customers (depending on when they purchased the affected devices) and a recall of seven versions of the lock. It's probably

only a matter of time before lawyers start

passing around their business cards at

Kryptonite goes by the slogan "tough world, tough lock." At least it's right about

the first point. And the tough guys are pack-

No whitewash special session

The Daytona Beach (Fla.)

News-Journal

er hurricanes in a month's time. With luck,

it will never happen again.
But Florida's leaders can't rely on luck

Never before has Florida faced three kill-

turns) of a cheap Bic

local bike shops.

Kryptonite may be able to fell the man of

A San Francisco bicyclist touched off a

story and the authenticity of the papers. . .

In the aftermath of Charley, Frances and Ivan, the state has an opportunity to examine hurricane preparedness.

Plans are being made for a special legislative session — probably in December to deal with hurricane issues. The one most often mentioned: The deductible double-whammy that had many homeowners paying far more than they expected in out-of-pocket expenses before their property insurance kicked in — and, in some

cases, paying it twice.
Florida has some experience with hastiPlorida has some experience with hastiPlorida has some experience with the lateral part of the control of

A focused agenda would keep a special session on track. The timing and logistics will be tight, especially with elections looming. But if this year's storm season has taught Floridians anything, it's the value of being prepared — and of putting the common good before selfish interests.

#### Senator perverted valid policy The Birmingham (Ala.) News

Maybe there are good reasons to oppose a bill that would provide more than \$1.2 billion to clear up backlogs in DNA testing, pump more money into crime labs and help states cover the expenses of DNA tests for people who may have been wrongly convicted of crimes.

But U.S. Sen. Jeff Sessions' reasons aren't among them. Sessions, R-Ala., didn't argue, for instance, that the federal government is awash in red ink, the United States is emmeshed in a war and the nation can't afford to spend more money for DNA test-

"That might be defensible, at least for those of us not sitting in a cell for a crime we didn't commit. But no, Sessions' objections have nothing to do with fiscal responsibility. Instead, he takes the lowest of roads in a missuided bid to show how tough on crime he is. Namely, Sessions objects to the bill because it's a federal government greavany to "omit-death penalty the contraction of the contraction of

That sure sounds bad. Who wants to think about our tax dollars going to defend

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murderers and terrorists? Except this is one area where we can get real results from our tax dollars. In cases where DNA is an issue, testing the evidence can convict the guilty or exonerate the innocent.

DNA testing has cleared 151 people across the country who were falsely accused and wrongly convicted of crimes. Two of them were in Alabama. Some elsewhere were on Death Row.

This should trouble anyone — even a former posecutor such as Sessions — who wants to believe our justice system is fair and foolproof. ... Whether DNA evidence proves someone guilty or proves him inno-cent, it can advance the cause of justice better than just about anything we've got going.

Sessions ought to be eager to make that happen. Instead, he's standing in the way.

## Honesty on Iraq isn't defeatist Times Union, Albany, N.Y. President Bush has to start taking his

own administration's intelligence reports more seriously. And so does the rest of the country — all those who favored invading Iraq last year and all those who opposed it. What we get from the White House, how-

What we get from the White House, however, is more like a sound bite sort of defense of a war that by any fair assessment is going badly.... Mr. Bush himself promised the U.N. Gen-

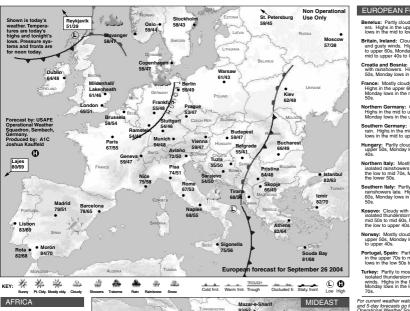
Mr. Bush himself promised the U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday that freedom is coming to Iraq, even if securing it will mean more terrorist attacks there. In other words, the Bush administration

in other words, the bush administration doesn't accept a nonpartisan and presumably informed examination of where the war is heading. ... A sensible and worthwhile debate about

A sensible and worthwhile debate about Iraq would focus on providing the necessary troop strength to bring order to the Iraqi cities where the instability predicted by intelligence experts is visible on daily display, and where the possibility of civil display, and where the possibility of civil same debate, of course, would have to include an honest discussion of the likely casualty toll of wresting control of places like Falluigh, Ramadi and Najaf.

The point of all of it should be to determine just what the endgame is, or should be in Iraq

But that means a debate that involves more than a reiteration of how successful a war that's cost more than 1,000 American lives has really been. A debate under those restrictions is a one-sided affair, with no value to speak of.



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#### EUROPEAN FORECAST

Benelux: Partly cloudy with rainshow-ers. Highs in the upper 50s, Monday lows in the mid to lower 50s.

Britain, Ireland: Cloudy with rain late and gusty winds. Highs in the lower to upper 60s, Monday lows in the mid to upper 40s to lower 50s.

Croatia and Bosnia: Mostly cloudy with rainshowers. Highs in the mid 50s, Monday lows in the lower 50s.

France: Mostly cloudy with rain. Highs in the upper 60s to mid 70s, Monday lows in the mid to upper

Northern Germany: Cloudy with rain. Highs in the mid to upper 50s, Monday lows in the upper 40s.

Southern Germany: Cloudy with rain. Highs in the mid 50s, Monday lows in the mid to upper 40s.

Hungary: Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s, Monday lows in the upper 40e

Northern Italy: Mostly cloudy with isolated rainshowers late. Highs in the low to mid 70s, Monday lows in the lower 50s.

Southern Italy: Partly cloudy with rainshowers late. Highs in the upper 60s, Monday lows in the low to mid

Kosovo: Cloudy with rainshowers and isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 50s to mid 60s, Monday lows in

Norway: Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s, Monday lows in the mid to upper 40s.

Portugal, Spain: Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s to mid 80s, Monday lows in the low 50s to low 70's.

Turkey: Partly to mostly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms and gusty winds. Highs in the lower 80s, Monday lows in the low 60s to low

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AFN-Sports, 1 p.m. — Tennis: Davis Cup,
semifinals, Belarus vs. U.S. (dld).

AFN-Pacific/Korea, 7 p.m. — Pro football: 

## AFN-Atlantic, 10 p.m. — Pro 100 toan: Green Bay at Indianapolis. AFN-Sports, 10:30 p.m. — Baseball: Los An-geles at San Francisco (joined in progress). Monday

AFN-Atlantic, 2 a.m. — Baseball: Oakland at Anaheim at Anaheim.

AFN-Sports, 2:30 a.m. — Pro football:
Tampa Bay at Oakland.

AFN-Sports, 9:30 a.m. — Pro basketball:
WNBA playofts, first round, Sacramento at
Los Angeles, Game 2 (dld).

AFN-Sports, 1 p.m. — Tennis: Davis Cup i-Sports, 3 p.m. — Golf: PGA Tour, 84 er Classic, final round (dld).

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Denver at Tampa Bay
St. Louis at San Francisco
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Monday, Oct. 4
Kansas City at Baltimore

## Pro soccer

#### Major League Soccer

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Columbus	10		10	40	33	27
MetroStars	10	10	6	36	42	44
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New England	6	11	9	27	38	39
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Dallas	10	11	5	35	32	37
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Saturday's games

MetroStars at Dallas Colorado at Kansas City New England at Chicago Los Angeles at San Jose Saturday, Oct. 2 Chicago at Columbus Dallas at New England D.C. United at MetroStars San Jose at Colorado Kansas City at Los Angeles

## **Tennis**

#### China Open

Saturday At The Beijing Tennis Cent Beijing, China Purse: \$585,000 (Tier II) Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Surface: Hard-Outdoor Singles Semifinals Svetlana Kuznetsova (2), Russia, def. Maria Sharapova (3), Russia, 6-2, 6-2. Serena Williams (1), United States, def. Vera Zvonareva (4), Russia, 6-2, 6-3.

## Davis Cup

WORLD GROUP
Semifinals
Winners to Final, Dec. 3-5;
losers remain in World Group
United States 2, Belarus 0
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surrace Hard-Outdoor Friday Friday Andy Roddick, Un Friday Voltchkov, Belarus, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4, Mardy Fish, United States, def, Max Mirnyl, Belarus, 7-5, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, Spain 0 At Plaza de Toros de Alicante Alicante, Spain

At Plaza de Toros de Alicante Alicante, Spain Surface: Clay-Outdoor Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, def. Carlos Moya, Spain, 6-3, 3-5, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3. Juan Carlos Ferrero, Spain, leads Fabrice

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## Pro basketball

#### WNBA playoffs

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Sunday, Sept. 26
Detroit at New York

Tuesday, Sept. 28
Detroit at New York, if necessary
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Los Angeles vs. Sacramen
Friday, Sept. 24
Sacramento 72. Los Angeles 52: Sic

Sunday, Sept. 26
Sacramento at Los Angeles
Tuesday, Sept. 28
Sacramento at Los Angeles, if Seattle vs. Minnesota Saturday, Sept. 25
Seattle at Minnesota Monday, Sept. 27
Minnesota at Seattle

Wednesday, Sept. 29 Minnesota at Seattle, if necessa

## College football

Friday's scores

MIDWEST Kalamazoo 48, Kenyon 17 N. Illinois 34, Bowling Green 17 FAR WEST Boise St. 28, BYU 27

## High school

## DODDS-Europe

Football (All games Saturday uni Nonconfere Ansbach 49, Mannheim 8 Hohenfels 25, Giessen 0 AFNORTH 24, Rota 14 Aviano 20, Vicenza 13 Division I Lakenheath 8, Ramstein 0

Wiesbaden 40, Würzburg 0 Division II-North Int'l School of Brussels 14, Lon SHAPE 24, Bitburg 0 Division II-South ion Central 0

SMAYE 44, p. Division II-Souten Naples 33, Vilseck 6 Hanau 17, Patch 14 Division III-A Menwith Hill 50, Alconbury 8 Division III-B Sigonella 29, Brussels 27 Division III-D Baumholder 42, Bamberg 25 Tennis

Ansbach at Bamberg Bamberg boys def. Ansbach 3-0. No 1 singles; Dillon Baker (Bamb) def. Tristen Kostelnik 6-0, 6-0. Bamberg girls def. Ansbach 4-0. No. 1 sin-gles: Lila Montoya (Bamb) def. Rioxanne Visaya 6-1. 6-1

Visaya 6-1, 6-1.

Mannheim at Bamberg — rained out.

Int'l School of Brussels at Heidelberg
ISB boys 7, Heidelberg 2. No. 1 singles
Michael Sanchez (Heid) def. Nikolas Serpa

Kaiserslautern at Lakenheath
Lakenheath boys 8, Kaiserslautern 0. No. 1
singles: John Keenan def. Greg Thompson
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Hayes (Han) def. Joe Morrow 6-0, 6-1.
Patch girls 7, Hanau 2. No. 1 singles: Tama-ra Opplinger (Pat) def. Christina Buxbaum 2-6, 6-0, 6-2.

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Baumholder was incomplete. nner: Katrina Gamveda-Smith (AFN)

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Girls' team scoring-Kaiserslautern 24,
Viesbaden 58, Lakenfleath 69. Alconbury,
ondon Central and Menwith Hill were in-

London Central and Merwith Hin were in-complete. Winner: Wiley 21:41. Winner: Man Schring-Lakenheath 51, Men-with Hill 57, kades-slautern 60, Wiesbaden 101, Alconbury 101, London Central 130, Winner: Greg Billington (Lake) 1607 (course record; old record unavailable). Boys te themeleb Quadrangular Isock 87, Hohenfels and Wurzburg were incom-plete.

lete. Winner: Robert Fleck (Wzbg) 19:45. Girls' team scoring-Heidelberg 18, Vilseck 3. Hohenfels and Wurzburg were incom-lete. ner: Erin Gray (Wzbg) 24:24. Volleyball

Aviano def, Marymount 27-25, 25-15, 25-10 Naples def, Vicenza 27-24, 20-25, 25-16. 25-16 Naples def. Milan 27-25, 25-10, 25-16

Vicenza def. Milan 20-25, 25-20, 25-18, 11-25, 15-13

Girls
Aviano def. Marymount 25-3, 25-8, 25-5
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## Golf

#### 84 Lumber Classic

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> Yardage: 6,235; Par: 71
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## **SAS Championship**

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## Deals

## Friday's transactions

BASEBALL
MLB—Announced St. Louis RHP Julian
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substance to balls during an Aug. 20 game substance to balls during an Aug. 20 game was reduced to eight games. National League CINCINNATI REDS—Reinstated RHP Ryan Wagner from bereavement list. Signed a two-year player development contract to field a Florida State League team in Saraso-ta, Fla.

new YORK METS—Activated INF Jose Reyes and INF Kaz Matsui from the 15-day BASKETBALL

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National Football League
NFL—Fined New York Jets S Jon McGraw
\$7,500 for a helmet-to-helmet hit on San
Diego QB Drew Brees during a game on Sept. 19

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DASTMOUTH - Named Andy Towers men's sasistant lacrosse coach.

NORTH CAROLINA - Named Kate Weeden sasistant lacrosse coach.

STORY BROOK - Named Michele Cherry women's assistant baskeball coach. sasistant samming coach. Without the samming coach.

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WILKES—Named Mike Witcoskie men's assistant basketball coach, Kate Frank women's assistant women's basketball coach and Mitch Marcks assistant wrestling coach.

## Yanks master **Martinez** again

6-4 victory vs. Red Sox ace eerily similar to ALCS win

The Associated Press

BOSTON - The game was over more than a half-hour, time Pedro Martinez spent reflecting on his failure in what might have been his last appearance in the Yankee-Red Sox rivalry. It was then, in the calm of a clubhouse interview room, that he conceded defeat

"What can I say — just tip my hat and call the Yan-kees my daddy," Martinez said. "I can't find a way to beat them at this point."

With an eerie resemblance to last year's postseason debacle. Martinez took a lead into the eighth inning before tiring and the Yankees rallied past Boston 6-4 Friday night to open a 51/2-game advantage in the AL East.

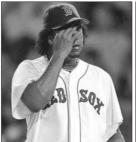
Grady Little was the Red Sox manager last fall when he left Martinez in during the eighth inning of Game 7 in the AL championship series; the Yankees overcame a 5-2 deficit to tie it and earned a World Series berth when Aaron Boone homered in the

Little was let go after the season and replaced by Terry Francona. But Francona, much as his predecessor did, sent Martinez (16-8) back out for the eighth even though he needed 101 pitches to get through the first seven innings; the Boston fans let Francona hear about it on Friday, much as they did for his predecessor.

Hideki Matsui homered on pitch No. 103 to make it 4-4, and Bernie Williams followed with a ground-rule double Martinez struck out Jorge Posada, who hit the game-tying double off the Red Sox ace in the ALCS, but Ruben Sierra singled home the

go-ahead run and - finally - chased Martinez. "It had a lot of similarities to the playoff game last ear," Yankees starter Mike Mussina said. "History

tends to repeat itself - but usually not that quickly Manny Ramirez hit his AL-leading 42nd homer and Trot Nixon also connected for Boston, which had been hoping to close ground on the Yankees but



Red Sox pitcher Pedro Martinez reacts to giving up an RBI-single to N.Y. Yankees' Ruben Sierra in the eighth inning of New York's 6-4 win in Roston.

now needs to win the final two games of the series to have any realistic hope of winning the division If not, the Red Sox are comfortably in the lead for the AL wild-card spot, six games ahead of Anaheim and Texas. Only if Boston wins in the first round of the playoffs and the Yankees do the same would Martinez wind up facing his nemeses again, though

he seemed to dread the prospect.

"They're that good. They're that hot right now at least against me," said the three-time Cy Young winner, who is 10-10 against the Yankees in his career and 172-65 against the rest of baseball. "I wish they would disappear and not come back. I would like to face any other team right now."

Martinez, who can become a free agent after the season, tried to deflect the blame from his manager,

just as he did last October.
"It's just frustrating for me not to do the job," he said. "It was all me. I wanted to bury myself on that

Francona stood by his decision, just as Little did. 'If I run out there after two pitches ... it would make it look like I wasn't making a very good decision before the inning," Francona said.

Tom Gordon (8-4) pitched two innings and allowed a solo homer to Johnny Damon that gave Boston a 4-3 lead. Mariano Rivera pitched the ninth for his 51st save; he has blown four saves all season, two against the Red Sox.

## D.C. done talking, ready for decision

By JOSEPH WHITE The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - As far as Washington is concerned, the ne-gotiations with Major League Baseball are essentially done. Now it's a matter of waiting for a 33-year drought to end.

Months of talks — including an 11½-hour session last week and another round that lasted until midnight Wednesday - have produced a 30-page document that would conditionally award the Montreal Expos to the nation's

"I would say that it is virtually completed without any major deal points outstanding," Bill Hall, chairman of the D.C. Sports and Entertainment Commission's baseball committee, said Friday. So what's next?

"As far as I'm concerned." Hall said, "[it] is to hear from Major League Baseball that we have a deal

The wait shouldn't be long. The city needs a decision by the end of next week so that legislation can be introduced to pay for a \$13 million renovation of RFK Stadium that would build a new stadium south of the Capitol along the Anacostia River The team would play in RFK for three seasons before moving to the new ballpark.

If the process should start later. stadium financing would be in danger of not being passed before Dec. 31, when the terms expire for several City Council members whose votes are needed to pass the measure.

Washington has been without a major league team since 1971, when the expansion Senators moved to Texas, but the city has clearly taken the lead in the competition to land the Expos, who were bought by the other 29 major league teams before the

On Thursday, baseball's executive council met in Milwaukee to discuss relocation. While no formal recommendation was made, Commissioner Bud Selig told the council he would work to finish a deal as quickly as possible, with the nation's capital the apparent

Selig's decision, once it comes, must be approved by the owners.

## La Russa fuming over Tavarez's suspension

DENVER - An appeal did little to help St. Louis reliever Julian Tayarez, who was suspended for eight days Friday for applying a foreign substance to balls while pitching last month.

Tavarez was ejected from a game Aug. 24 against Pittsburgh when umpires inspected his grimy hat. After the game, crew chief Joe West said Cardinals manager Tony La Russa "as much admitted" it was pine tar on Tavarez's cap.

Tavarez was originally handed a 10-day suspension. The penalty, which began with Friday's game at Colorado, was reduced by two

days after the appeal. Still. La Russa was livid, not only because Tavarez won't return until Oct. 2, with just two games remaining in the regular season, but because he doesn't think the penalty is appropriate for the transgression.

"Every year, there have been some hot competitions all over the league, and there have been some eruptions involving players umpires, all of which are so much worse for our game ... and those things routinely get penalized with two, three, five games. And this is an eight-gamer? For something they haven't even proven? What kind of message is baseball sending there? The message I get

is a bad one," La Russa said. The commissioner's office had no further comment, spokesman Pat Courtney said.

Appeals were also heard for Baltimore reliever Jorge Julio and Houston second baseman Jeff Kent and reliever Dan Wheeler. Julio started serving his four-game suspension for throw**Briefs** 

ing a pitch that nearly hit Minnesota's Augie Oieda in the head. A \$1,000 fine was dropped.

Kent had his three-game suspension reduced to two. He was suspended for kicking and throwing dirt on home plate after being ejected by plate umpire Chris Guccione on July 25 at Milwaukee. Wheeler's three-game suspension for hitting Chicago first baseman Derrek Lee with a pitch on Aug 27 was unheld

#### Pirates retain McClendon

PITTSRURGH - The Pittsburgh Pirates retained manager Lloyd McClendon and made of fers Friday to retain all of his staff

McClendon signed a contract extension through the 2005 season in April, with a club option for 2006. If the coaches accept the team's offers, it will mark the second straight year that no changes will be made to the coaching staff. "My coaches have done a fine

iob." McClendon said. "I think it's just a formality. Pittsburgh is 277-361 in Mc-

Clendon's four years as manager.

#### Rockies release LHP Fassero DENVER - The Colorado

Rockies released left-hander Jeff Fassero on Friday after he and manager Clint Hurdle disagreed about his ability to start against St. Louis this weekend. 'It was over philosophical dif-

ferences," Hurdle said. "That's all I have to say about it. He had concerns. I had concerns

Fassero was scheduled to start Sunday

## Twins' Santana celebrates 20th win

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND - The Minnesota Twins sipped champagne for the second time this week, this time to honor their ace.

The Twins, who clinched the AL Central title Monday, toasted Johan Santana after he became the second 20-game winner in the major leagues with his 13th consecutive victory, an 8-2 win over the Cleveland Indians on Friday night. "This is something special,"

said Santana, who was presented with three baseballs by his team-mates. "I got one for No. 20, one for No. 258 and another for No. The last two were for tying and

then setting a Minnesota record for strikeouts in a season. Santana (20-6) struck out six to put his AL-leading total at 260. Bert Blyleven set the previous Twins mark with 258 in 1973.

Santana's 33-inning scoreless streak was snapped. He allowed a run — his first in September and two hits in six innings.

"A string like his does not happen very often," Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire said. "Hey, he gave up a run tonight. That's a shocker

A \_ Roundup

Santana is 13-0 with a 1.18 ERA in 14 starts since the All-Star break. He has won 12 starts in a row since allowing only one run in a no-decision July 22 against Tampa Bay

"This kid has just been unbe lievable," Gardenhire said. don't think you can have a bette year than he has so we had a little toast to him '

The 25-year-old left-hander, who entered this season with a 23-12 career record, tied Boston's Curt Schilling for the major league lead in wins.

The Twins built a 6-0 lead by scoring five runs with two outs in the fourth off Kyle Denney Henry Blanco, Shannon Stewart and Jacque Jones hit consecutive RBI singles, and Lew Ford followed with a two-run double

Athletics 6, Angels 3: Rich Harden (11-6) earned his eighth win in nine decisions, Eric Byrnes hit a two-run homer off Kelvim Escobar (10-12) and visiting Oakland took a three-game lead in the AL West. The Angels remained tied for second with

Mariners 8. Rangers 7: Ichiro Suzuki had two more hits to move within eight of George Sisler's major league record, and Randy Winn's infield single in the ninth helped visiting Seattle end Texas five-game winning streak. Suzuki singled twice and has 249 hits this season Sisler had 257 for the St Louis Browns in 1920.

Devil Rays 4, Blue Jays 2: Aubrey Huff hit his 29th homer and Mark Hendrickson (10-15) pitched seven solid innings for Tampa Bay at Tropicana Field. Huff's homer in the first gave

him eight straight at-bats with a hit — tying Suzuki and San Francisco's Deivi Cruz for the longest run in the majors this season Huff's bid for a ninth straight hit was foiled by left fielder Reed Johnson's diving catch in the fourth.

Orioles 7, Tigers 5: At Baltimore, Miguel Tejada hit a game-winning, three-run homer off Esteban Yan (3-6) in the ninth. Tejada went 4-for-5 with four RBIs. Javy Lopez homered and drove in three runs.

Royals 8, White Sox 6: At Chicago, John Buck homered twice to back winner Jimmy Gobble

## **Lucky 13 for Braves**

## Smoltz, who's been there for all of them, closes it out

The Associated Press

ATLANTA - The Atlanta Braves celebrated another division title in style.

The Braves clinched their 13th consecutive division title Friday night, winning the NL East with an 8-7 comeback victory over the Florida Marlins.



Afterward, no one was spared a spray champagne or beer - even general manager John Schuer-

holz and manager Bobby Cox. "It never gets old," the beaming Schuerholz said.

Marcus Giles' two-run single off Marlins closer Armando Benitez, who took over for Guillermo Mota (9-7), capped Atlanta's three-run rally in the eighth.

The Braves' record streak of division championships began with the 1991 NL West title and excludes the 1994 strike-shortened season. Predicted by many to finish behind Philadelphia and Florida, the Braves were six games under .500 and 6½ games out of first place on June 23, but are 58-26 since.

"They shouldn't have picked against us," Chipper Jones said. John Smoltz, the only player on each of the 13 division championship teams, pitched the ninth for his 41st save. Travis Smith (2-3) earned the victory with one inning of relief.

Dodgers 3. Giants 2: Shawn Green hit a two-run homer in visiting Los Angeles' victory a day before the first baseman will miss a game to observe the Jewish holiday Yom Kippur.

"It couldn't have worked out better for me personally or for the team." Green said. "It's been a tough few days for me going through all this in my mind, but I

felt at peace today. Barry Bonds hit his 702nd but San Francisco homer couldn't muster much else against Odalis Perez (7-6) as the Dodgers increased their lead in

the NL West to 21/2 games. Eric Gagne issued three straight two-out walks in the ninth before retiring Yorvit Torrealba on a bases-loaded flyout to preserve a tense victory.

Astros 1, Brewers 0 (10): Roger Clemens was denied his 19th victory, taking a no-decision, but struck out a season-high 12 to reach 210 this season.

Clemens allowed five hits in 71/3 innings and lowered his ERA from 3.00 to 2.89. He surpassed 200 strikeouts for the 12th time.

In the top of the 10th, Brad Ausmus bunted for a single down the third-base line off Mike Adams (2-3), who fielded the ball and

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threw wildly to first. Orlando Palmeiro, hitting for Brad Lidge (6-5), blooped a single into short left field and pinch-runner Willy Taveras raced to third, Craig Biggio followed with a sacrifice fly.

Cubs 2. Mets 1 (10): Derrek Lee hit an RBI single in the 10th and Aramis Ramirez homered in the seventh as the visiting Cubs won their fourth straight to increase their lead in the NL wild-card race

Padres 6, Diam Pinch-runner Khalil Greene scored the winning run on third baseman Chad Tracy's fielding error with one out in the ninth as the host Padres remained 41/2 games behind the Cubs in the wild-card race.

Cardinals 5, Rockies 4: Albert Pujols homered and Jeff Suppan (16-8) improved to 10-0 on the road. Larry Walker went 0-for-4 in his first game in Denver since Colorado traded him to St. Louis on A11g 6

Expos 8, Phillies 1: At Montre al, Sun Woo-Kim came (4-5) within an out of his first career complete game and also hit a two-run double. He lost his shutout bid on Jason Michaels' RBI double in the ninth.

Reds 14, Pirates 8: Austin Kearns had a career-high four hits, including a homer, and five RBIs at Pittsburgh.



John Smoltz, who got the final three outs, celebrates with Marcus Giles, who drove in the tying and winning runs, after Atlanta clinched its 13th straight NL division title with an 8-7 win Friday night over Florida.

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### Major League Baseball statistics

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Monday's games Chicago White Sox at Detroit Toronto at Baltimore	E-Inge (124) Boboerts (8), LUB-Detroit 3, Baltimore 9, 2B-Infante (24), Mora (40), Teja- da (38), 3B-Monroe (2), HR-CPena (26), Te- jada (31), JvLopez (21), CS-IROdriguez (4), IP H RER BB SO Detroit	Cincinnati 14, Pittsburgh 8 Montreal 8, Philadelphia 1 Chicago Cubs 2, N.Y. Mets 1, 10 innings Atlanta 8, Florida 7	Grieve ph 1 0 0 0 Valent ph 0 0 0 0 0 Frnswr n 0 0 0 0 DGrcia nh 1 0 0 0	
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HBP—by PMartinez (Cairo). T—3:18. A—35,022 (35,095).	Ramirez 3/3 0 0 0 0 0 Brocail 12/3 1 0 0 1 2 FCordero L3-3 1 3 1 1 2 Villone pitched to 1 batter in the 9th. HBP—by Tejera (Reed). PB—Barajas. T—3:40. A—32,212 (49,115).	Freel cf 6 1 1 0 Kendall c 5 2 3 0 Flopez 3b 5 3 3 3 JWilsn ss 2 0 2 1	(5), SB-Pierre (43), LCastillo (20), MGiles (17), Thomas (3), CS-Conine (5), Furcal (6), SF-Furcal, CJones.	ab r h bi
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E-Ludwick (1). DP-Minnesota 1, Cleve- land 1. LOB-Minnesota 9, Cleveland 6. 2B- LFord (30), Kubel (2), JPhelps 2 (17). HR- JJones (24), Blake (27). CS-Crisp (13).	Totals 37 811 8 Totals 35 6 12 5 Kansas City 003 011 111-8 Chicago 202 000 002-6 E-Berroa (26), Burke (2), Borchard (3), DP-Kansas City 5, LOB-Kansas City 12, Chi- cago 5, 2B-Randa 2 (30), Stairs (19), Murphy (2), Burke (9), Crede 2 (24), HR-Stairs (18),	burgh 3, LOB—Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 5, 2B—FLopez (18), Kearns (8), LaRue (24), Ken- dall 2 (29), Bay (24), 3B—Mackowiak (5), HR—FLOPEZ (7), Kearns (7), Bay (25), Mack-	HOUSTON MILWAUKEE abrhbi	10tals 24 312 3 10tals 29 2 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
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## Favre, Manning set for quarterback battle

By MICHAEL MAROT The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS -Favre looks at Peyton Manning and sees the resemblance. Both play with passion, toughness and a relentless desire to win.

Favre probably couldn't envision a better heir to his throne as the NFL's best quarterback when he's ready to abdicate the

"It's kind of out with the old and in with the new. That's just the way it is," Favre said.

Sunday's game between Green Bay (1-1) and Indianapolis (1-1) might appear a symbolic stage for Favre to hand the reins to Manning, last year's co-MVP. Don't

Favre, among the NFL's elder statesmen of quarterbacks at age 34. still has plays to make, championships to win and plenty to achieve

He needs one completion to join Dan Marino and John Elway as the only members of the 4,000 club. Should Favre throw a touchdown pass Sunday, he also would break a fourth-place tie for consecutive games with a TD pass (28) by moving past Chris Chandler, and yes, Manning.

And then there is the one stat that startles Manning: Favre's streak of consecutive starts. Favre is about to make his 192nd consecutive regular-season start, Manning his 99th.

If playoff games are counted, it would mark the first time in league history two NFL quarter-



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backs with 100 straight starts were opponents.

"It is absolutely amazing," Man ning said of Favre's streak, "I hope to break it some day, I really do. But he's got to help me out first. I'm not making up any

Manning certainly is showing some signs of improvement at

A year ago, he produced his best season as a pro, completing 67 nercent of his passes throwing 29 touchdowns and just 10 interceptions for a final rating of 99.0. Like Favre, he led his team deep into the playoffs, and has returned this year amid higher expectations after signing a franchise-record \$98

million contract. So far, Man-44 I'm not going to ning's lived up to say [Manning's] the hype. In two games, he has four touchdown hetter than passes, one inter-Brett but he's ception and a rating of 104.9. right up there But choosing with him.

> Darren Sharper Packers safety

They're like 1A and 1B or 1A and 1A," Packers safety Darren

seems to depend

on one's loyal-

ties

Sharper said. "I'm not going to say he's better than Brett, but he's right up there with him.' Favre does have his chinks and

one of the biggest has been playing in dome stadiums

Despite a résumé that includes three MVP awards and a Super





Green Bay Packers quarterback **Brett Favre needs one completion** to join Dan Marino and John Elway in the 4.000 club.

Bowl ring, Favre has been vulnerable indoors, where he is just

The last time Favre came to Indianapolis, in 1997, the 0-10 Colts upset the Super Bowl-bound Pack-

ers 41-38 One man who has seen Favre at his best and worst is Colts coach Tony Dungy, who helped construct defenses in Minnesota and

Tampa Bay that gave Favre fits. "I used to joke with him all time when we played at Lam-beau," Dungy said. "I'd walk over

to him during pregame mups and say 'Why don't you take that pill you take in the dome and throw us the ball a couple of times?

Favre have some advantages this time.

Colts running back Edgerrin who James.

strained his left hamstring on a 30-vard touchdown run at Tennessee last week, is expected to start Sunday but could see limited ac-

Indianapolis' secondary also has been battered by injuries. Starting safety Mike Doss like-

ly won't play because of a pulled right hamstring, and cornerback Donald Strickland probably will play despite a sore right shoulder. Any more injuries could force some unenviable matchups between Favre and rookie defensive

Favre also has a supporting cast tailor made to expose the Colts' biggest hole, run defense Indianapolis is allowing 5.0 yards per carry and the Packers almost certainly will try to exploit that veakness with Ahman Green, the NFC's top rusher.

"They are fantastic players and they are both tough to stop," Dungy said.

So is Manning. But is the younger gun with a similar Southern background and aw-shucks demeanor ready to supplant Favre

as the NFL's top quarterback. Dungy doesn't believe that's going to happen Sunday.

"Five years ago, there was no doubt who the best quarterback in the NFL was," Dungy said. "Brett probably won't tell you this, but he's probably ready to pass that mantle in the next couple of years."

## **Surprising Lions** aiming to go 3-0

By DAVE GOLDRERG The Associated Press

Philadelphia opened with two impressive home wins, establishing its credentials as the contender its fans thought it would be. Now the Eagles go to Detmit to

> NFL picks

play the Lions. who are 2-0 after going 10-38 the past three seasons. Included: an opening-day

win in Chicago that ended an NFL-record 24-game road losing

The Lions are getting help from very strong draft class, led by wide receiver Roy Williams, running back Kevin Jones and linebacker Teddy Lehman. That has partially offset injuries to two of last year's top-grade rookies: Charles Rogers and Boss Bailey.

The youngsters are smart, too "We've won just two games, that's all," Williams said. "Come back in the 14th game of the seawhen we have a winning record, and I'll show more excite-

ment The Eagles, the only NFL team to win both its games by double-digit margins, are favored by four. Both big-money additions, Jevon Kearse and Terrell Owens have made major contributions: Owens as the top receiver they've lacked, and Kearse as a constant pass-rushing threat even though he has yet to register a sack.

Still, the Eagles are not invincible. Williams could exploit their young cornerbacks, and the Lions are unlikely to make as many mis takes at home as the Vikings made Monday night. Minnesota moved the ball well, and so did the Giants in the opener, but it's hard to win in Philly.

After the past three seasons, 8-8 or 9-7 would be a successful vear in Detroit.

It would be a disaster in Phila delphia. ... EAGLES, 24-17 Green Bay (plus 6) at Indianap olis: Brett Favre vs. Peyton Man-

ning for just the second time:



Washington Redskins coach Joe Gibbs, above, has lost 11 of his past 14 games against Dallas Cowboys coach Bill Parcells.



Detroit running back Kevin Jones (34) and the Lions are 2-0 heading into their game vs. the Eagles.

They met in Green Bay four years ago and Favre won 26-24. ... MANNING, 26-24.

Dallas (plus 2) at Washington (Monday night): Bill Parcells is 11-6 against Joe Gibbs, winning 11 of the last 14 meetings. ... COW-

Tampa Bay (plus 3) at Oak-land: Oakland East has yet to score a TD on offense. Warren Sapp's revenge. ... RAIDERS,

Pittsburgh (plus 1) at Miami: A rookie OB for Pittsburgh, a dismal offense for Miami. Unless there are defensive TDs ... DOL-PHINS, 5-3

Jacksonville (plus 6) at Tennessee: The Jaguars have managed to win twice despite scoring just 20 points. ... TITANS, 17-6.

San Francisco (plus 11) at Seattle: Seattle was 8-0 at home last year, but the 49ers play defense well enough to keep it close. ... SE-AHAWKS, 20-13.

Baltimore (minus 3) at Cincinnati: Carson Palmer played cau-tiously last week but still led a game-winning drive. Reprise. .. BENGALS, 16-13.

Chicago (plus 91/2) at Minnesota: Tough to win back-to-back in Green Bay and Minneapolis, especially with three top DBs gone. ... VIKINGS, 27-10.

Houston (plus 81/2) at Kansas City: Neither team is what it was supposed to be, but the Chiefs were supposed to be better than the Texans ... CHIEFS, 26-13 Cleveland (plus 3) at New York

Giants: Kellen Winslow's injury spoiled a Hurricanes' reunion with Jeremy Shockey. ... GIANTS,

San Diego (plus 10) at Denver: From 1-0 to 1-15? The Charg aren't that bad, but ... BRONCOS, 34-20

Arizona (plus 10) at Atlanta: Dennis Green made the playoffs eight of his 10 seasons in Minnesota. That doesn't happen in Arizona. ... FALCONS, 33-11.

New Orleans (plus 7) at St. Louis: Early season travails again for the Saints. ... RAMS. 32-14. LAST WEEK: 11-5 (spread),

13-3 (straight up) SEASON: 20-12 (spread), 25-7 (straight un)

## **Broncos** buck BYU's upset bid

## Missed last-second FG extends Boise State's win streak to 15

BY DOUG ALDEN

BOISE Idaho - What started as another Boise State blowout came down to the final seconds.

The No. 21 Broncos led 16-0 in the first quarter, but needed a missed 38-yard field goal with 23 seconds remaining to hold off Brigham Young 28-27 on Friday night.

"I'll be real honest with you — I'm not kidding. I never for a moment thought we would lose that game," Boise State coach Dan Hawkins said.

The Broncos extended the nation's longest winning streak to 15 games, but had to rally to do it. The Broncos (4-0) and Cougars (1-3) traded lucky breaks and big plays all night, but Boise State got the one that mattered most when Matt Payne

missed for the first time this season. "Matt's a great player. He makes that 99 out of a hundred times," said BYU's Todd Watkins, who had nine catches for 211 yards and a touchdown.

Payne, who had field goals of 32 and 42 yards as the Cougars fought back from the early deficit, was iust wide of the left upright and the Broncos ran out

Boise State averaged 55 points in its first three wins, but got its biggest test so far from the Cougars, who lost to the Broncos last year in Provo 50-12

"That's how you build championships. They aren't built when you win 52-0," Broncos offensive lineman Daryn Colledge said. "We can come back We know we can come back We're a strong team Jared Zabransky's 44-yard scoring pass to T.J.

Acree with 3:42 remaining turned out to be the game winner. BYU had taken the lead on a pair of touchdown passes from John Beck, who threw a 79-vard scoring strike to Watkins and a 57-varder to Austin Collie late in the third quarter.

"I think we showed what kind of caliber team we are. We showed a lot," Watkins said.

BYU is 1-3 for the first time since 2000, LaVell Edwards' final season as coach. The Cougars haven't beaten a ranked opponent since Gary Crowton took over for Edwards in 2001



BYU's Brandon Heaney (34) yanks the facemask of Boise State receiver Drisan James (11) to break up a pass on Friday night. No penalty was called.

Beck led BYU with 390 passing yards, completing 20 of 35 attempts with two touchdowns. But again, he had no help from the running game as BYU fin-

ished with just 25 yards rushing Zabransky passed for 302 yards and two touchdowns, both to Acree, and the pair appeared to have

the Broncos ahead to stay after the late score. BYU got the ball back at its own 23, and got a huge break on a disputed pass interference call. Beck continued to lead the drive into field goal range, only to have Payne miss

### No. 21 Boise State 28, Brigham Young 27 Brigham Young

BSU—Safety, Beck tackled in end zone, 10:57 BSU—Acree 20 pass from Zabransky (Jones kick), 9:17 BSU—Carter 5 run (Jones kick), 4:99 BYU—Brown 2 run (Payne kick), 28

BYU-FG Payne 32, 7:29 BYU-FG Payne 42, 3:28 BSU-FG Jones 47, 10:07 BSU-FG Jones 37, 4:36

naut—F6 Jones 37, 4:36 BYU—Watkins 79 pass from Beck (Payne kick), 3:41. BYU—Collie 57 pass from Beck (Payne kick), 3:8 Fourth Quarter BSU—Acree 44 pass from Zabransky (pass failed), 3:42 A-30,601.

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okun 1-4, Bady 1-1, Helmandollar 1-0, team 3-(minus 8), Zabransky 3-(minus 17). Passing—BYU, Beck 20-35-0-390. Boise St., Zabransky 20-28-1-302, Dilbokun 1-1-0-8. Middell 1-1-0-8.

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## Classic: Close games the norm in rivalry

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"I feel the same way - he's a very, very worthy opponent," Parcells said Gibbs has tried this week to de-

flect attention from the coaches to the players. If history is any indication, he has a point.

Neither Gibbs nor Parcells had anything to do with the defining moment of their 1980s matchups

 the Monday night game on Nov. 18, 1985, when Joe Theismann's leg was broken on a sack by Lawrence Taylor.

Gibbs spent the next few seashuffling quarterbacks, while Phil Simms kept plugging along for the Giants. Gibbs won just one non-strike game against Parcells after Theismann's injury, prevailing during the Redskins 1987 run to the Super Bowl title.

"Tremendous rivalry," cells said. "It was just such a good division at the time. Both teams were very talented with Hall of Fame players.

Gibbs rarely socialized with opposing coaches, and Parcells was no exception. Although the coaches' philosophies and meticulous work patterns are similar, Gibbs' soft-spoken humbleness doesn't mesh at all with Parcells' entertaining prickliness. The pair's one lengthy interaction came when they played a round of golf a few years ago, when both were out of the NFL

'When we saw each other when we weren't coaching, we very friendly," said. "It's just like having a lot of respect for the enemy. Now he's not my enemy, he's a friend, but he happens to be my enemy on (Monday), and I'm sure he feels the same way.

While all the attention is on the coaches, there are some potential-

Survey says Indians do not

object to nickname Redskins



Gibbs left, has lost the past six games against Bill Par. cells.

ly major subplots that could determine the winner Monday night.

The Redskins are expected to start Patrick Ramsey at quarterback because Mark Brunell is hurt, and three-time Pro Bowl linebacker LaVar Arrington is out with a knee injury. The Cowboys have lost rookie running back Julius Jones to a shoulder injury, so 40-year-old Vinny Testaverde should have a busy night.

The Cowboys have won 12 of the past 13 meetings, a source of frustration for Redskins owner Dan Snyder. But Gibbs-Parcells is overshadowing the usual comparisons between hands-on own-ers Snyder and Jerry Jones.

Both teams have playoff aspirations, but also show signs of major problems. Or, as Parcells told his team this week: "There's a heck of a difference between a good team and what we are right now

In other words, it might be a stretch to expect another Gibbs-Parcells classic. These coaches need more time with their teams before they can mold them into perennial contenders, as they did all those years ago.

"This is a different time. It's a different place. It's a different cast of characters. It's not the same. It'll never be the same," Parcells said. "It's a new genera-tion. It's a new stadium. It's a new everything. You can't try and make it the same."

## Singh keeps lead in Pennsylvania

FARMINGTON Pa - Chris DiMarco shot Friday's best round in the 84 Lumber Classic, a 7-under 65, and put some pressure on leader Vijay Singh. Singh shot 4-under 68 and

leads 2003 British Open champion Ben Curtis by two shots, with DiMarco another stroke back

Singh, who can set a PGA Tour season money record by winning the \$756,000 first prize, made his only bogey in two days but opened with two straight birdies and added three more. "I'm quite happy," said Singh

who recently overtook Tiger



Woods for the world No. 1 rank-"I've got the weekend to go and there are a few more chances

Kent Jones, Joey Sindelar and J.P. Haves are tied at 7-under

#### **Inkster leads Longs Drugs**

AUBURN, Calif. - Hall of Famer Juli Inkster, looking to win a tournament for the eighth consecutive year, shot 5-under 66 and took a one-stroke lead over Christi-

na Kim after two rounds of the LPGA Longs Drugs Challenge. Inkster, a two-time winner of the 9-year-old tournament, was at

10-under 132 Kim hegan her second-round 69 with 13 straight pars, bogeved 14 and then birdied three of the

final four holes Five players, including Hall of Famer Karrie Webb, were at 134.

### Stenson up one in Euro Tour

WOBURN, England — Henrik Stenson shot 5-under 67 Saturday for a one-stroke lead over Swedish countryman Patrik Sjoland after three rounds of The Heritage a European Tour event

## WASHINGTON - A poll of American Indians found that an

overwhelming majority of them are not bothered by the nickname of the Washington Red-Only 9 percent of those polled said the name of the NFL team

is "offensive," while 90 percent said it's acceptable, according to the University of Pennsylva-nia's National Annenberg Election Survey, released Friday. Annenberg polled 768 Indians

in every state except Hawaii and Alaska from Oct. 7, 2003, to Sept. 20, 2004.

The survey found little disparity between men and women or young and old. However, 13 percent of Indians with college degrees said the name is offensive, compared with 9 percent of those with some college and 6 nercent of those with a high school education or less. Among self-identified liberals, 14 per-

cent found the term disparag-

ing, compared with 6 percent of conservatives

The franchise began in Boston as the Braves but was purchased in 1932 by George Preston Marshall, who changed the name to honor head coach William "Lone Star" Dietz, an American Indian. The team kept its monicker after moving to the nation's capital in 1937

The name and feather-wear ing mascot have since been challenged.

A panel of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office canceled the team's trademarks in 1999 on the grounds that the name disparages American Indians in violation of federal trademark law. But last year, a federal judge ruled the team can keep its name, finding insufficient evidence to conclude it is an insult to American Indians.

Some Indian leaders are still pressing their case, noting that many schools with similar mascots referencing Indians have made name changes recently.

#### Hurricane postpones Steelers-Dolphins game Florida on Friday, a day early, be-The Associated Press phins discussed the matter with

MIAMI - Hurricane Jeanne forced the postponement of Sunday's game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and Miami Dolphins. The game has not been re-

The decision to postpone the game was made after the Dol-

the NFL, Dolphins president Eddie Jones said Saturday. "The Commissioner's office

has asked the two teams to consider the larger public safety issues to determine when the game can best be played," Jones said in a statement

The Steelers arrived in south

cause of the hurricane.

Hurricane Jeanne is the latest in a string of weather problems that have plagued the Dolphins this season.

Miami's opening game against Tennessee was moved up one day and played on a Saturday because of Hurricane Ivan.

## Barrichello wins China pole after Schumacher spins out

SHANGHAI, China - Rubens Barrichello claimed the pole posi tion for the inaugural Chinese Grand Prix on Saturday after Ferrari teammate and Formula One champion Michael Schumacher spun out seconds into his qualifying lap.

Barrichello picked up his second straight pole, and the 12th of his career. He turned a fast lap of 1 minute, 34.012 seconds on the new 3.388-mile Shanghai International Circuit

Schumacher spun on the first turn after leading the practice an hour earlier in 1:33.185. He will



his worst starting spot as a Ferrari driver.

last row in

56-lap race,

Sunday's

In 1998. Schumacher had the nole for the final race of the season, the Japanese Grand Prix, but stalled on the grid and was sent to the back of the pack.

In 1995, as a Benetton driver, he was 16th on the grid, but went on to win the Belgian Grand Prix.

Midway through the first turn, Schumacher lost control of his Ferrari and spun off the track

back onto the track and completed the lap, but did not record a

#### Carpentier wins pole for Las Vegas Champ Car race

I.AS VEGAS - Patrick Carpentier, coming off his first victory of the Champ Car season, won his first pole of the year Friday with a 206.186 mph run in the series first outing at Las Vegas Motor Sneedway.

The point he received for the pole moved him into a tie for fourth in the driver standings with Paul Tracy, who qualified



Jeremy Mayfield runs a lap during qualifying for the MBNA America 400 at Dover International Speedway in Dover, Del., on Friday, Mayfield won the pole, putting behind him a wreck last week that seriously damaged his hopes of winning the Nextel Cup championship.

## Management agency says Armstrong provided sponsor clean drug samples

DALLAS - Lance Armstrong's management agency said it proclean drug test results more than a month ago to a company withholding a \$5 million bonus owed Armstrong for winning a record sixth straight Tour de France

"Lance has made it unambiguously clear that he does not use, nor has he ever used, perfor-mance-enhancing drugs," said a statement issued Friday night by Capital Sports and Entertain ment, the Austin, Texas-based agency that manages Arm-Postal Cycling strong's U.S. Team. "The baseless and mean-spirited doping allegations against Lance are not supported by any facts.

In refusing to release the money, SCA Promotions Inc. of Dallas has cited allegations in a French book that Armstrong used performance-enhancing drugs and said the company needs to investigate the claims by reviewing Armstrong's medical records.

Chris Compton, an attorney for SCA, told The Associated Press on Thursday, "We've requested allegations - clean test results that should be easily attainable."

But Friday's statement refuted what the management agency labeled "SCA's disingenuous and self-serving quote."

"SCA is not interested in valid and authenticated 'testing re-" the statement said, claiming it provided that documentation to SCA in mid-August.

Rather, SCA has demanded "every medical record and medical provider of Mr. Armstrong; his complete medical history; all records of all Armstrong's past bonus awards; and all contracts' involving Armstrong and a numher of individuals and entities the statement said.

A telephone message seeking a response from SCA was not immediately returned Friday night.

#### Bush signs bill tightening rules for snorts agents

WASHINGTON - President

Sports briefs

law Friday establishing tougher penalties for unethisports

The hill stiffens penalties for agents who lure student-athletes into contracts that compromise their amateur standing and dam-

age the reputations of their schools The legislation, which passed by voice vote in the Senate earlier this month, was promoted by Tom Osborne, R-Neb., former Nebraska football coach Osborne said he has seen sports

agents illegally use cash and gifts to recruit student-athletes. The law bars agents from recruiting student-athletes by giving false or misleading information or providing anything of value to the athlete or his family before entering into a contract.

The agent also must disclose in writing that the athlete may lose NCAA eligibility after signing an agency contract. And the law requires the athlete and the agent to notify the school's athletic director that the athlete has signed a contract so the school does not allow a now-ineligible athlete to

Violators would face civil actions by the Federal Trade Commission and state attorneys general. Fines of up to \$11,000 a day could be levied for each offense

#### Gold medal dispute prompts FIG to propose changes

International gymnastics officials are considering rule changes they hope will prevent another debacle like the one at the Athens Olympics that, a month later, still has Paul Hamm defending his all-around gold medal. The International Gymnastics

Federation, known as FIG, announced Friday it will recommend that judges who make mistakes be nunished immediately. with sanctions lasting up to four years. And USA Gymnastics is proposing the use of video replay in the review of start values

The proposals from the FIG's

Gymnastics will be considered at the FIG congress next month in Turkey

The FIG came under fire in Athens after it discovered a scoring error that may have cost Yang Tae-young of South Korea the men's all-around title

#### Roddick powers U.S. to lead in Davis Cup semifinals

CHARLESTON, S.C. -Roddick hit a record 155 mph serve in his 6-1, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Vladimir Voltchkov on Fri day to help the United States to a 2-0 lead over Belarus in the Davis Cun semifinals

Olympic silver medalist Mardy Fish served 19 aces to defeat Max Mirnyi in the second singles match 7-5, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3

The American team of Bob and Mike Bryan was scheduled to play Mirnyi and Alexander Skrypko on Saturday in the best-of-five competition between the two na-

#### Serena Williams, Kuznetsova reach China Ópen final

RELIING - Serena Williams overcame problems with her serve to defeat Russia's Vera Zvonareva 6-2, 6-3 Saturday, advancing to the China Open final against U.S. Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsova.

Kuznetsova beat Wimbledon champion and Russian countrywoman Maria Sharapova 6-2, 6-2 in the other semifinal

#### Liberty, Monarchs win WNBA playoff openers

DETROIT - Elena Baranova scored 17 points Friday night to lead the New York Liberty to a 75-62 victory over defending champion Detroit in Game 1 of their first-round WNBA playoff

The loss means the Shock will have to win Sunday and Tuesday in New York to avoid being elimi nated in the hest-of-three series

In Sacramento, Calif., Tangela Smith scored 21 points as the Sacramento Monarchs took a 1-0 series lead over the top-seeded Los Angeles Sparks.

## **Polesitter Mayfield** in need of victories BY DICK BRINSTER

The Associated Press

DOVER, Del. - Jeremy Mayfield needs more than a victory at Dover International Speedway to get back in the thick of the Neytel Cup championship race.

With his title hopes seriously damaged a week ago. Mayfield will try to use Sunday's MBNA America 400 to get back in the chase. He crashed last Sunday in New Hampshire after Robby Gordon intentionally spun Greg Bif-

A 35th-place finish left Mayfield 142 points behind leaders Kurt Busch and Dale Earnhardt Jr. after the first of 10 races among the championship contenders. Lost were valuable points and great momentum achieved a week earlier when Mayfield qualified for title contention with a victory in Richmond, Va.

"I think we're going to have to do that every week from here on out to try to rebound from that thing." Mayfield said Friday after winning the pole for Sunday's race. "When the going gets tough we feel like we perform our best Mayfield won't curse his bad

"We kind of like being the underdog," he said. "We're going to fight it out to the end. On Sunday, he won't qualify as

anything but the favorite after tak ing the pole at The Monster Mile with a lap at 159.405 mph. That gave him a qualifying sween this year on the high-banked concrete "Anytime you have a race track

you run pretty good at you're con-fident," he said, "Now we've just got to go out and win the race and get back the points that were taken away from us last week. Busch, who won the Sylvania

300, qualified 13th Friday. Earnhardt wound up 16th on the 43-car grid.

"I was happy with the first lap, but on the second we got pretty loose," Earnhardt said. "Sometimes it's like running across railroad tracks.

Ryan Newman, like Mayfield unlucky in New Hampshire.

NASCAR Nextel Cup After Friday qualifying; race Sunday At Dover Downs International Speed

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57.089. 17. (0) Ward Burton, Chevrolet, 156.965. 18. (10) Scott Riggs Chevrolet, 156.815. 19. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 156.719. 20. (9) Kasey Kahne Dodge, 156.692. 21. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 156.678. 22. (32) Bobby Hamilton Jr., Chevrolet,

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where he blew an engine late in

the race, was second-fastest. His Dodge got around the track at 159 018 A surprising third in qualifying

was rookie Brian Vickers. He did it in a backup car after crashing in practice. His Chevrolet went 158,346.

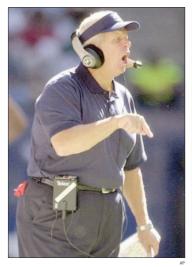
# SPORTS



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# **Classic flashback**



victories. Dallas is 12-1 in its past 13 games against Washington.



## Cowboys coach Bill Parcells is second among active coaches with 160 Washington Redskins coach Joe Gibbs ranks fifth among active coaches with 141 victories. He is 12-12 lifetime against the Cowboys. Parcells, Gibbs meet for first time in 14 years

chess matches

between Gibbs'

Redskins and Parcells' Giants

from 1983-90?

"Anybody

football knows

how I feel about

this guy," Par-cells said. "I

think he's out-

standing. I like

him personally.

I think he's one

of the great coaches that

ever coached

who's been in

## By JOSEPH WHITE The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - When Joe Gibbs announced his return to the Washington Redskins, Bill Parcells sent a congratulatory fax. "It said something like 'Does

this mean we can't talk for the next five years?" Gibbs said. Gibbs didn't bother to send a reply. It was his way of giving the obvious answer.

"Yeah," Gibbs said, recalling his thoughts upon seeing the message, "We'll wind up hating each other again.'

Yes, the old adversaries are back at it, a pair of 63-year-old workaholics who just couldn't leave well enough alone despite five Super Bowl titles between them. They have spent this week

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plotting for their first meeting in 14 years, when the Washington Redskins (1-1) host the Dallas Cowbovs (1-1)

Monday night. "If you're a fan, what you want to see is a big game, where a lot's on the line, and there's a lot of history behind it Gibbs said. "And certainly this game has all

Gibbs isn't know for his hyperbole, but he's got this one pegged. Cow- the game." boys-Redskins

## **Close encounters**

Bill Parcells is 11-6 in head-to-head matchups against Joe Gibbs. Here are the results of each meeting, with home team in parenthesis:

1990 - Giants 24, Redskins 20 (W) Giants 21, Redskins 10 (NY) 1989 – Giants 27, Redskins 10 (NY) Giants 20, Redskins 17 (NY) 1988 – Giants 27, Redskins 20 (NY)

1988 - Giants 27, Redskins 20 (NY) Giants 24, Redskins 23 (W) 1987 - Redskins 38, Giants 12 (NY) # Redskins 23, Giants 19 (W) 1986 - Giants 27, Redskins 20 (NY) Giants 24, Redskins 20 (W) Giants 17, Redskins 0 (NY)\* 1985 - Giants 17, Redskins 3 (NY)\* Redskins 23, Giants 21 (W) Giants 37, Redskins 13 (NY)

1983 – Redskins 33, Giants 17 (NY) Redskins 31, Giants 22 (W) - Played with replacement play ers during strike.

\* - NFC championship game

alone usually

Parcells, who ended his second makes for a big game, but how NFL retirement a year ago, is sec-

can anyone not ond among active coaches with be excited about 160 victories, Gibbs, who spent 11 seasons away in NASCAR until a new chanter in a coaching rithe Redskins lured him back in valry that pro-January, is fifth with 141. duced classic

when they head-to-head two decades ago, Parcells usually prevailed, winning 11 of 17 games, including the last six.

No wonder, when asked whether he was looking forward to facing his old foe, Gibbs quickly answered: "No."

"You don't want to go up against somebody that you consider is real good," Gibbs said. "I'd say he's definitely done the best iob when I coach a team and he coaches a team, so hopefully we can find a way to overcome that."

Parcells responded by saying most games were close, and that he isn't exactly rubbing his hands with glee over facing Gibbs.

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